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THE MIST

It seemed like a train ride to eternity that had stalled! Victoria Westgate was trapped on subway train that had simply stopped high above the East River. It seemed slightly ridiculous! She was an ordinary Brooklyn housewife taking a machine that belonged underground, and now she was stranded in midair! It was also very terrifying! People were dropping dead all around her. She was now certain that a group of fanatics was trying to kill her!

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The Stone Kingdom sat on the brink of Hell! The demons of the eternally damned had been loosed upon the Earth and not even Mah 'Sess could stop them! Their hive grew and grew above the palace and seemed to suck the energy of the universe into its maw! Daily, the incursions of the demons grew stronger and bolder. Ever more clearly, the citizenry of the Stone Kingdom knew that the hour of doom was at hand, and Mah 'Sess was the culprit!

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Imagine all the people! Imagine them as they live their lives in those tall overpopulated buildings! What things make them laugh? What makes them happy or sad? What brings out their fears and what drives their nightmares? Now look at that crowd of people! All they "are saying is give peace a chance!" They stand in front of that ornate building mourning their hero. So profoundly sad! But the animal in them... where is it? How far away is it?

HAGGARTH 47

The more he knows, the more ignorant he becomes! The farther he travels, the farther away his destination seems to be! Haggarth seems to be floundering in a quagmire of riddles. Nothing is ever as it seems and nothing will ever be as he wants it to be! But he will find the answer to his profoundly troubling dual nature! Perhaps the answer lies in that walled city beyond the edge of the stone plain. Haggarth has wandered far and longs for peace of death!

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DEAR COUSIN EERIE



I was rather critical of the debut of "The Mist" series in the last issue. But after that confusing start, all the elements fell into place in EERIE #121's second installment. Don McGregor's talents began to show through with some effective yet unobtrusive character sketches and discrete use of some matters usually ignored by other magazines. Even the occult angle, which is very easily mishandled by most writers, still kept its believability. Last time, I was hoping that "The Mist" would be a one-shot story, now I'm hoping that it will be a long and interesting series.

The chief asset of "Born of Ancient Vision" was the distinctive artistic visions of artist Bob Morello. Since he was also co-writer I would expect that the story idea was basically his and that the dependable Budd Lewis was brought in to polish it up. The use of the second and third eyes was novel, if somewhat artificial, and the ironic ending was dramatically satisfying, if not unexpected.

Rich Margopoulos continues his practice of giving us his "golden oldies" by combining those two stars from the past, Hunter and Darklon. Though a competently told tale, it was not up to the standards of either character's previous adventures. It's hard for old favorites to live up to their reputations. A nice touch was the appearance of Quarb. Quarb is a unique character but his presence is becoming pervasive.

T.M. MAPLE
Toronto, Ontario

The "Haggard" story in EERIE #121, by Victor de la Fuente, was probably the very best installment in this excellent series. It started off as usual with a long talky segment, but this one, at least, served as a summation and bore directly on Haggard's conflict within himself. Then the action started! Haggard vs. the apemen illustrated in the incomparable style of de la Fuente. He is truly a master of the dynamic action sequence! And, for once, the chapter resolved itself completely, with a dead villain and all. My! Does this mean that de la Fuente is beginning to think in conventional terms? Say it ain't so! I was just beginning to appreciate him for his eccentricities in both mentally and conceptually!

A. WHITCOMB
Hartford, Ct.

EERIE is the greatest! I've been a fan for eight years now and I must say that EERIE is getting better and better. The latest issue, #121, had everything going for it! The cover by Vaughn Bode and Basil Gogos, though a reprint, well suited the story "Born of Ancient Vision". Both the cover and the story were excellent, thrilling, smashing! "The Mist" was good, but I wish it had more terror and suspense in it. It seems that there are a lot of empty pages in "The Mist." "Ancient Vision" had the perfect story to combine with the fabulous artwork of Bob Morello. I want to see more of him in future issues of EERIE.

My favorite story of the issue, however, was "Hunter and Darklon." Do I sense a pattern developing? Issue #120 had "Bishop Dane and Dax," the Warrior" and now we have "Hunter and Darklon," previously unrelated Warren heroes teaming up. I would be more than happy to see more of this! How about a Rock/Exterminator match-up? The possibilities are endless!

The conclusion of the "Haggard" story was splendid! Victor de la Fuente's series is the perfect example of why I enjoy EERIE far more than any other comics. These series give the writer a chance to develop his characters and situations in much greater depth than mere one-shot deals do. The conclusion of "Haggard" wouldn't have meant cold beans to us if it had not been for the momentum begun in the previous installments.

Long live EERIE and the EERIE series format which makes EERIE the best comic book in the world!

KENNY OAKES
Austinville, Va.

EERIE #121 was one of the best issues ever. No kidding, I ate it up with a spoon. Super adventure abounded, with one odd exception: "The Mist". Side by side with superheroes like Darklon and Haggard, the fall of a kingdom in "Born of Ancient Vision" and the death of a tyrant in "Haggard", we have the Westgate family in "The Mist" changing diapers and balancing their checkbook! Unless writer Don McGregor building up to something fantastic, "The Mist" does not belong in the pages of EERIE. One of the voodoo cultists, a pitiful small-timer, is hit by a car! When I buy EERIE, I want to see villains being zapped by laser beams or run through with rusty swords.

In all other respects, #121 delivered! I am addicted to the marvelous artwork of Bob Morello. "Born of Ancient Vision" was outstanding! The story was compelling, the battle scenes thrilling, and the demons that fell from the sky were chilling. More! More!

"Hunter and Darklon", though a conventional set-up story for mayhem, was very satisfying. Warren magazines give us these excellent splash battle pages, such as the excellent one by Al Sanchez on page 38. In fact, the entire layout of the story was beautiful. I was never a great fan of Sanchez before, but now I am looking forward to seeing plenty more of him in the future.

TOM ANDREWS
Portland, Oregon

Enough! Stop bringing dead heroes back to life! It is a cheat and a lie! Dead is dead! In EERIE #120 Dax rose from his timely death in issue #69, and Warren Publishing didn't stop there! EERIE #121 brought back Darklon, Hunter, and Quarb as well! Instead of recycling old characters, why not try creating new ones? This game of xeroxing and repeating oneself over and over is a Hollywood game, and we all know how sick and boring that can be. Yes, do create new characters but, this time, find someone better than Zud Kamish. I detest him.

"Born of Ancient Vision" was great. Terrific story by Bob Morello and Budd Lewis, and smashing artwork by Morello again. "The Mist" was okay, but not great. "Haggard" was good. Is this the end of the series?

Also, why the reprint cover on #121 from EERIE #28? I always look forward to seeing new covers on your magazines; this month I was sorely disappointed. Don't disappoint me again, or else...or else...come to think of it, you've got me over a barrel. EERIE is the best comic book in the universe! Where else can I go to find such high quality material?

The compion is laughable!

JOHN KNIGHT
Florence, Miss.

Dear Cousin Eerie,

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THE MIST TOKEN RESISTANCE

VICTORIA WESTGATE CROUCHED LIKE A HUNTED ANIMAL IN THE HOT AUGUST DARKNESS OF THE STALLED SUBWAY TRAIN!

THE HOUSEWIFE, MOTHER, WORKING-WOMAN THAT WERE THE NORMAL COMPONENTS OF HER LIFE WERE SHAKEN BY THE GUN SHE HELD IN HER HAND!

THE GUN WAS HEAVIER THAN SHE'D THOUGHT A GUN WOULD BE IT REEKED OF OIL THAT FELT SLICK AND DANGEROUS BENEATH HER TYPIST'S FINGERS.

IT COULDN'T BE REAL! AND YET THE WOUNDED MAN LYING NEAR HER WAS REAL. WAS HE REALLY A SECRET AGENT? WAS HIS NAME REALLY HOBIET? HIS BLOOD WAS CERTAINLY REAL!

AND THE FIVE PEOPLE (PEOPLE? MANIACS!) STALKING HER DOWN WERE REAL!

COME OUT!
COME OUT! WHERE-
EVER YOU ARE!

IT WAS A 60-CENT TOKEN THAT BROUGHT HER TO THIS HARD REALITY... THE "D" TRAIN STOPPED ON THE MANHATTAN BRIDGE... AND STALLED HER IN THIS NIGHTMARE!

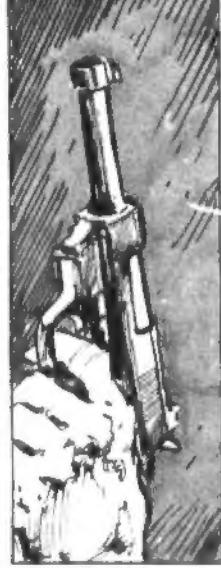
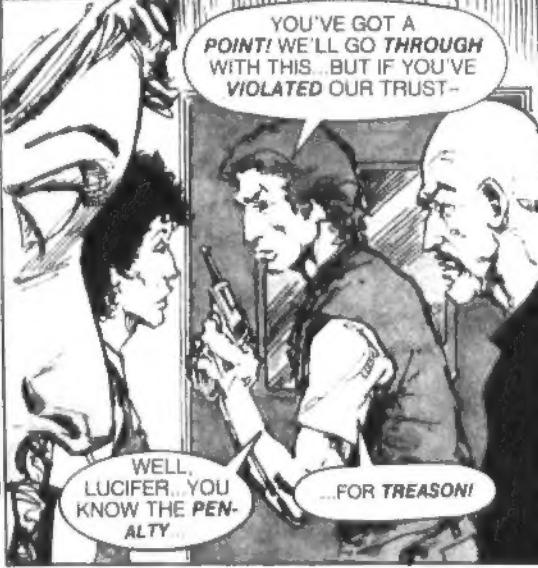
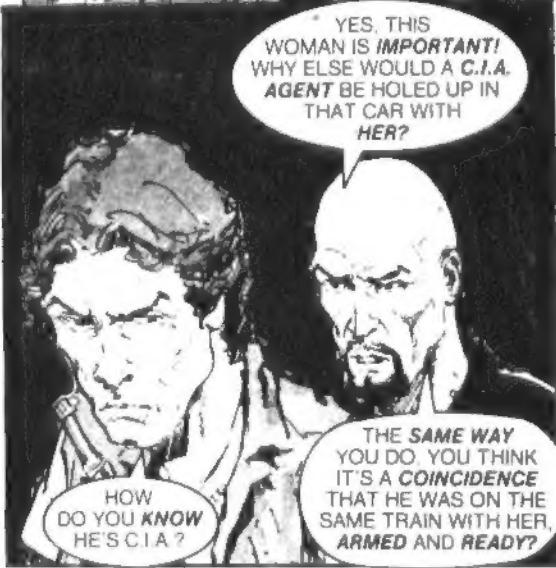
MYRNA PALMER WAS SCARED. LUCIFER WAS HER VOODOO HOUNGAN. SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE PROUD TO SERVE ON THIS MISSION, YET SHE KNEW SHE WAS IN ON SOMETHING WAY OVER HER HEAD.

SHE WAS NOT LIKE MADELINE. EVEN WITH A BLOODY LIP AND BROKEN TOOTH, MADELINE DIDN'T TAKE ANY CRAP! MADELINE DIDN'T SNIVEL!



YOU TOLD US THIS WOMAN WAS A **POLITICAL TARGET**. LUCIFER. WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST KIND'VE STUFF!

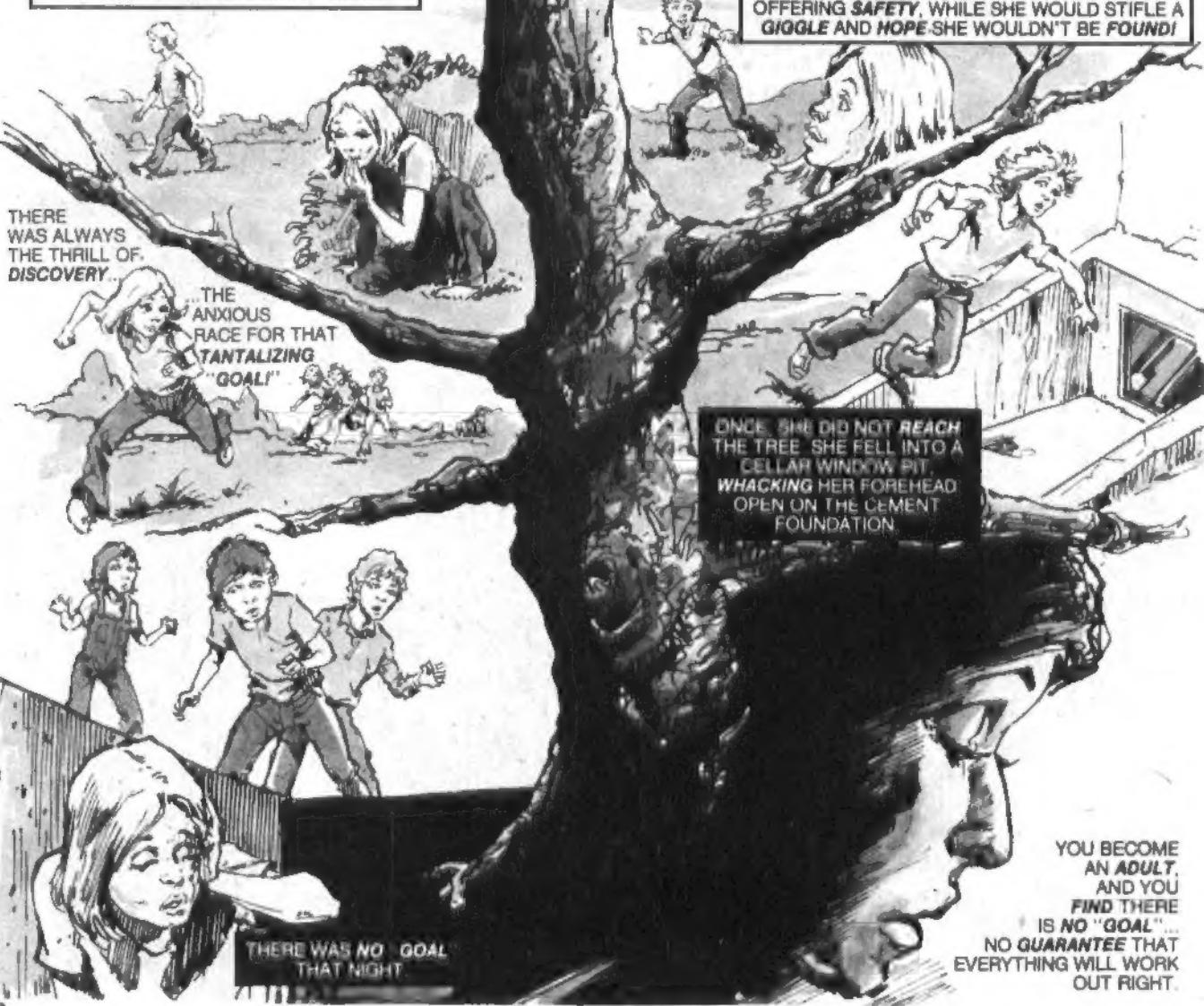
WELL, THIS VICTORIA WESTGATE LOOKS AND ACTS LIKE A **MIDDLE-CLASS NOBODY!**



VICKY COULD HEAR
HOBIE'S SLOW,
LABORED BREATHING.
SHE COULD HEAR HER
OWN.

IT SOUNDED
FRIGHTENINGLY LOUD,
LIKE A PATIENT'S
SUCKING EXHALATION
IN A HOSPITAL OXYGEN
TENT.

THE OAK TREE WAS ALWAYS "GOAL!"



HER EYES KEPT AVOIDING THE GUN
IN HER HAND!

SHE COULD HAVE LEAPED UP, SPRAY-
ING BULLETS EVERYWHERE, AND
MAKE A BREAK OVER THE DEAD
BODIES!

THINK
I CAN'T FIND
YA, HUH?

I CAN!
AN' WHEN I DO, I'M
GONNA BASH IN YA
SKULL!

KNOW
WHAT I MIGHT
DO? I MIGHT PULL
THE PIN ON THIS
HERE GRENADE-
BLOW HALF THIS
CAR... YOU...
AND THE GIRL
TO HELL!

I THINK
MY LUCK'S RUN
OUT. I STOPPED
BELIEVING I WAS
AUDIE MURPHY
ONLY YESTER-
DAY.

THINK I CAN'T
DO IT 'CAUSE YOU SHOT MY
GODDAMNED HAND, HUH? WELL,
I ONLY NEED ONE HAND TO
CRUSH YOUR HEAD!

WHO THE--?

IT'S ONLY
US, ABNER. BE
CALM

WHAT THE HELL
IS GOING ON? WHY DO
THESE MANIACS WANT **ME**
AND WHY SHOULD I HAVE
TO THINK ABOUT KILLING
OTHER HUMAN BEINGS?

NO NAMES.
ABNER, NOT EVEN **DISGUST-**
ING NICK-NAMES!

I DON'T WANT
TO LIVE THROUGH THE **REST**
OF MY LIFE WITH A KILLING
IN MY PAST!

OH! FINALLY
GOT THE **WARRIORS** TO
JUMP INTO THE
WATER, HUH.
LUCE?

WHAT THE
HELL KINDA CRAP
DID I STEP IN?

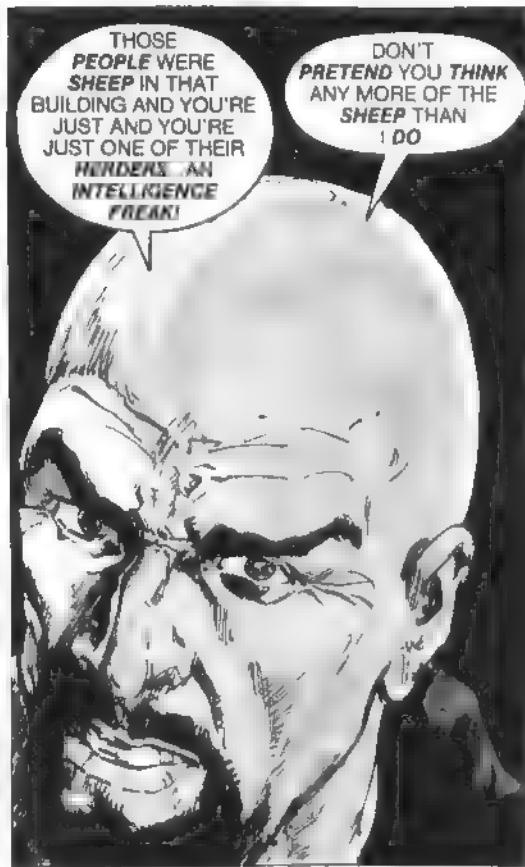


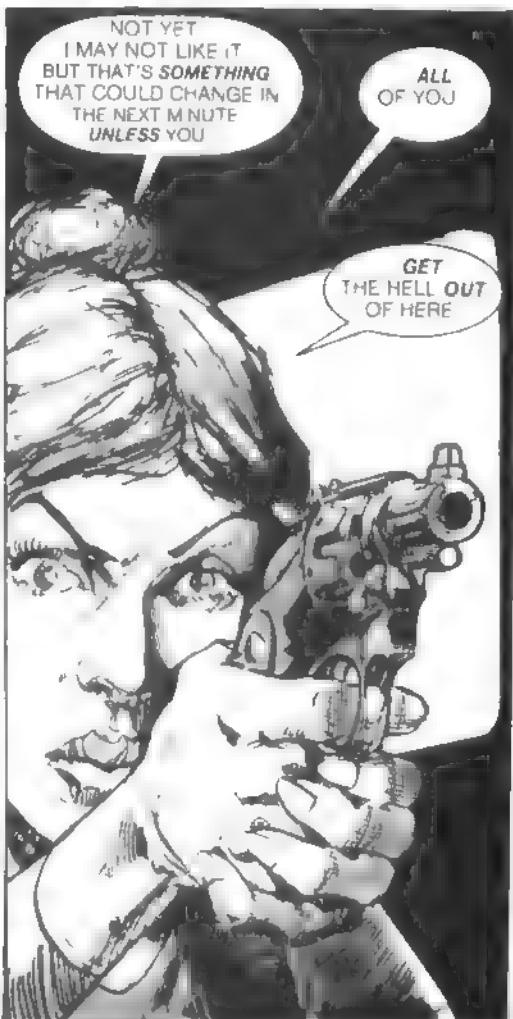
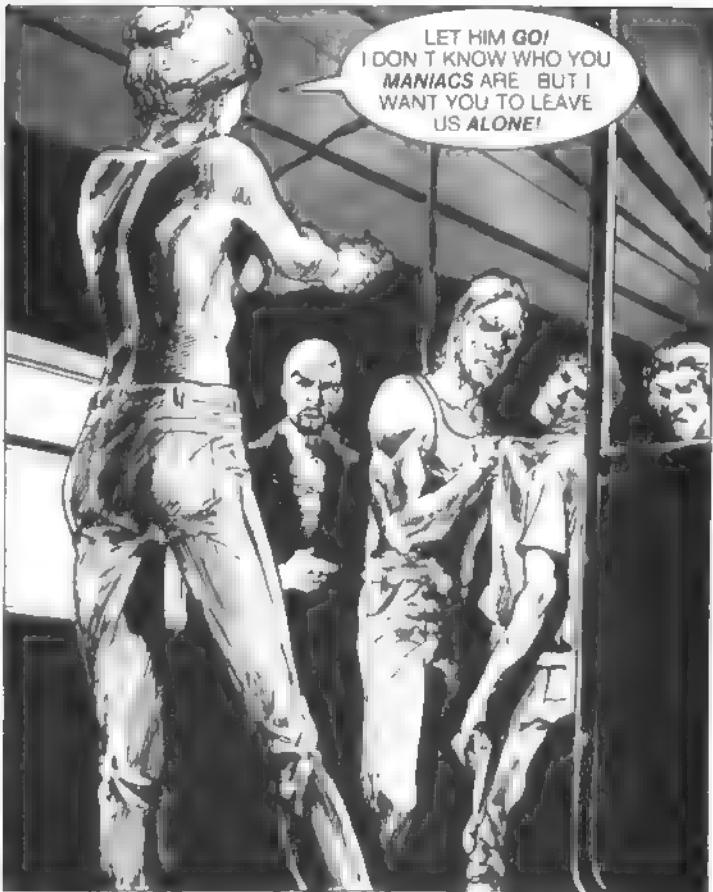
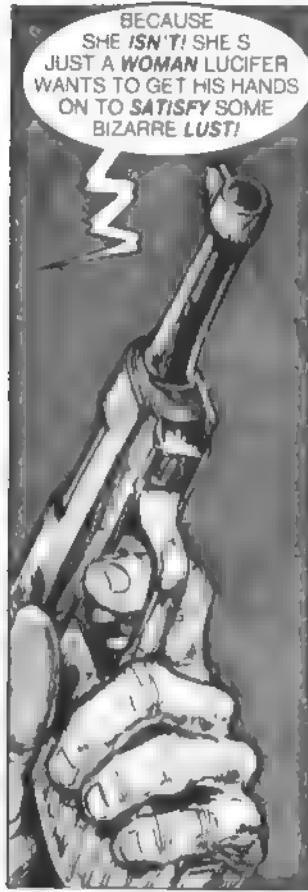


THERE WAS A BRIEF, BRUTAL FLURRY OF SOUNDS OF SCALP TEARING AND BONES BREAKING THAT FILLED THE DARK CAR.

FOR VICKY, THEY WERE INSANE, MAD BOUNDS.







WITHOUT A WORD OF WARNING OR EXPLANATION,
THE TRAIN RESUMED ITS PASSAGE
ACROSS MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

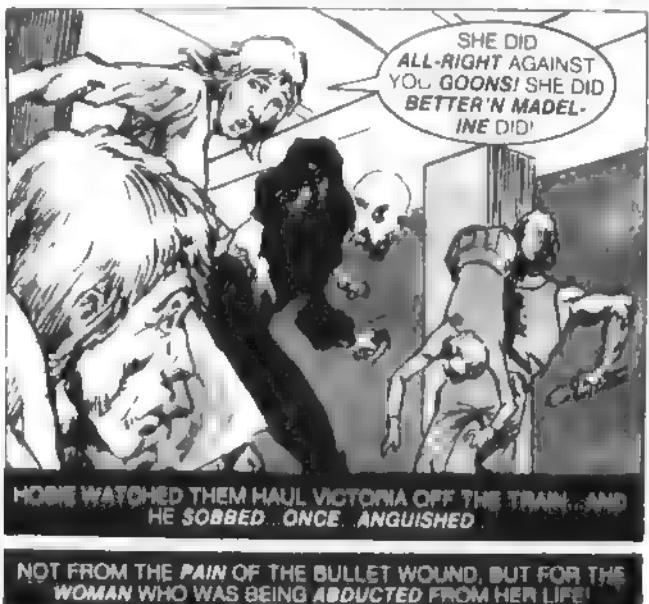
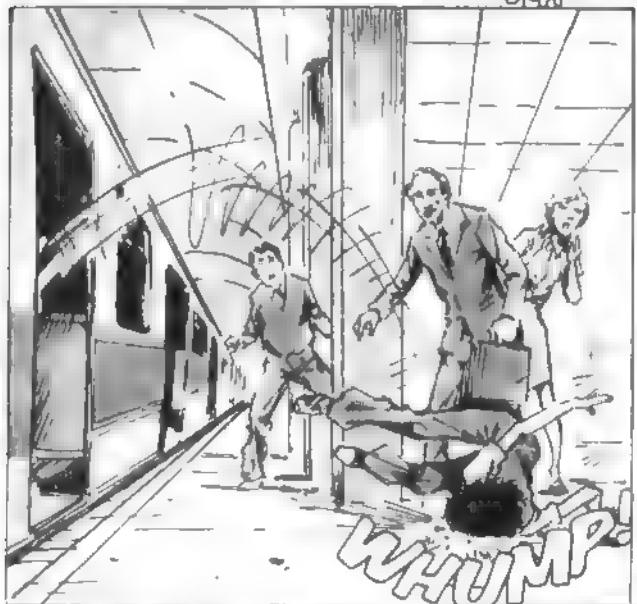
THE PASSENGERS WERE TOSSED OFF
BALANCE BY THE TRAIN'S SUDDEN JUICH!



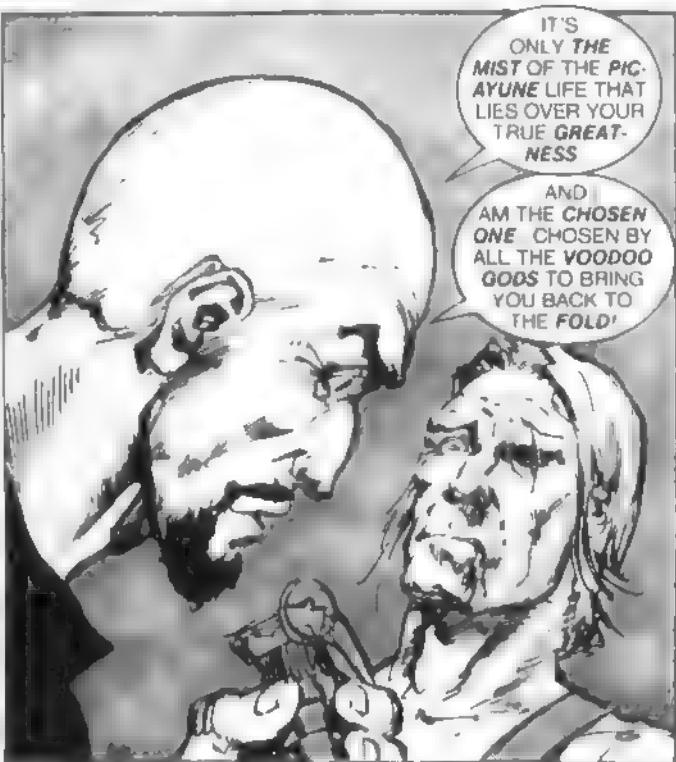
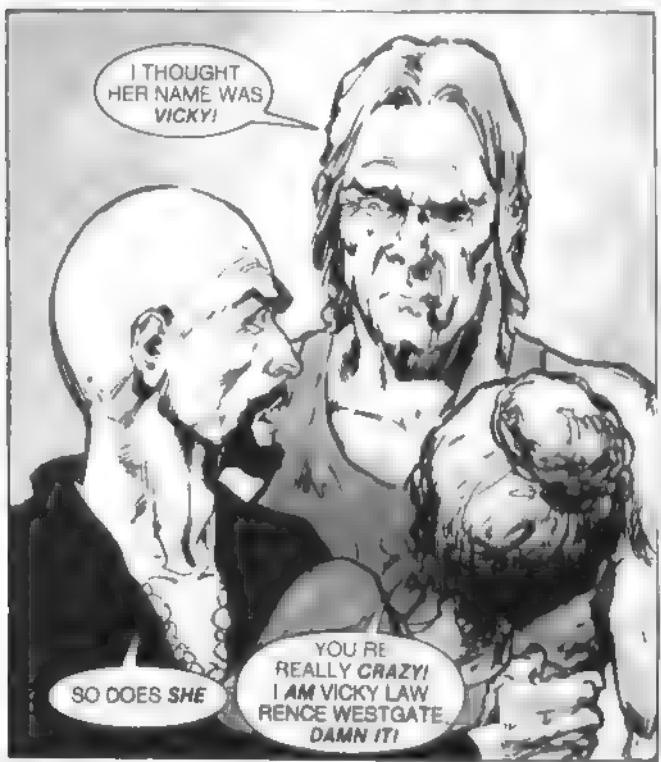
MADELINE LEAPT, SHRIEKING, WITH NONE OF
THE COME-HITHER BUOYANCY OF HER
CHEERLEADING DAYS.

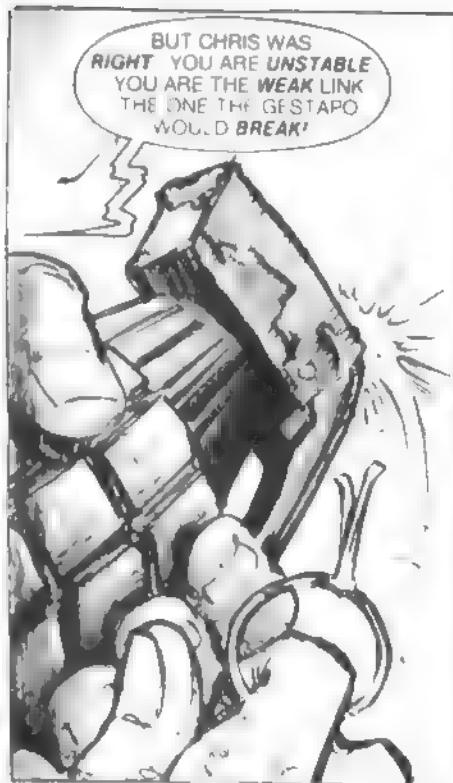


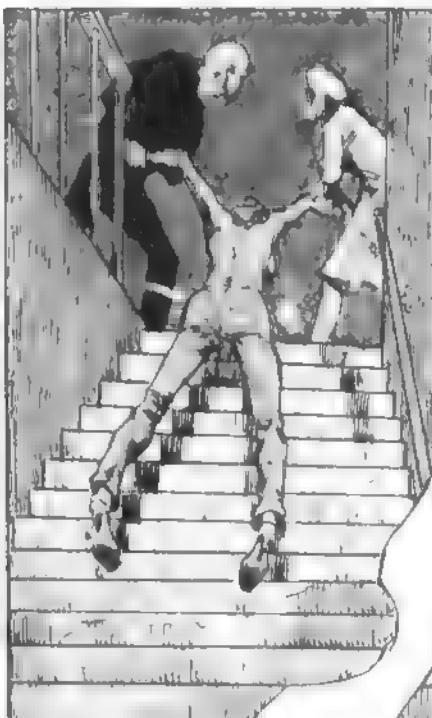
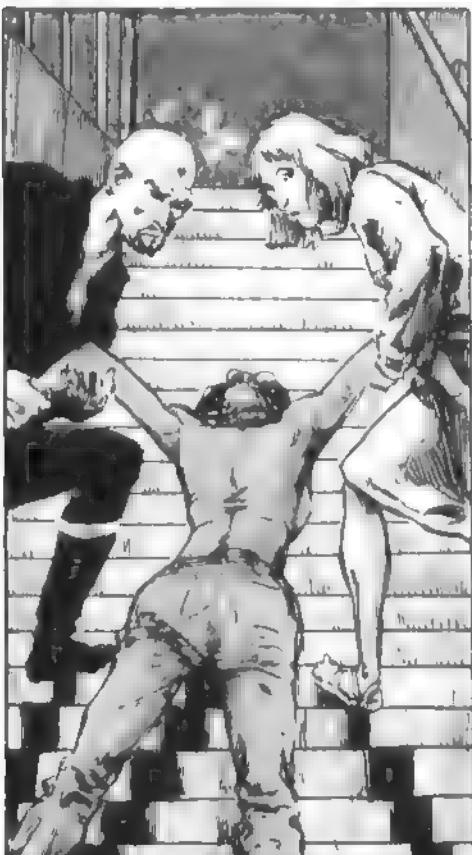
THE COMMUTERS WERE TIRED
THEY HAD BEEN WAITING FOR
THIS MECHANICAL MOLE FOR
OVER HALF AN HOUR IN THE
OVEN-LIKE INTERIORS OF
DEKALB ST STATION



NOT FROM THE PAIN OF THE BULLET WOUND, BUT FOR THE
WOMAN WHO WAS BEING ABDUCTED FROM HER LIFE

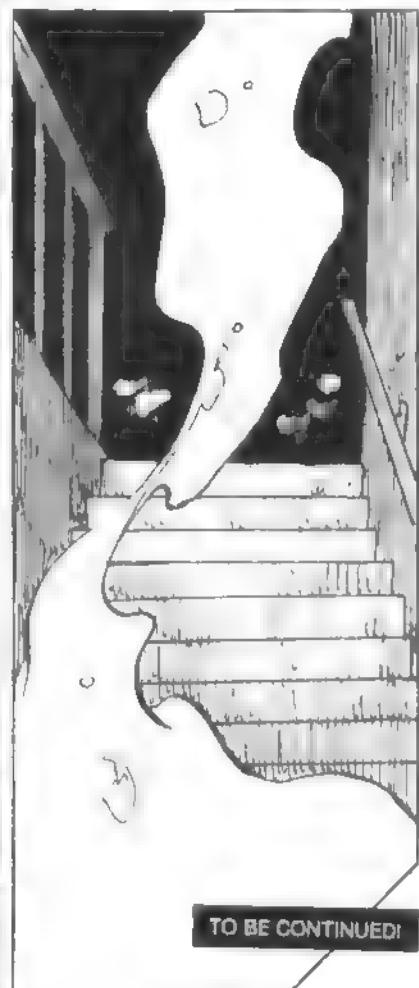






VICKY WISHED WITH DESPAIR THAT THERE WAS SOME SAFE PLACE TO HIDE! SHE'D THOUGHT THERE HAD BEEN ONE SAFE PLACE: HOME! "GOAL"

BUT THERE SEEMED NO WAY TO REACH "GOAL"! MAYBE IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ANY "GOAL" TO SURVIVE BOTH PUBERTY AND THE SUBWAYS.



VICKY HAD NEVER BEEN SLUGGED IN THE STOMACH BEFORE... NEVER FELT THE OVERWHELMING NAUSEA THAT SWEEPED OVER HER AND MADE HER THINK ONE WAS GOING TO DIE!

TO BE CONTINUED!

IN SIGHT OF HEAVEN IN REACH OF HELL

MAH 'SESS WAS PROPHECY FULFILLED! YET PROPHECIES CAN TURN STRANGELY UPON THE AXIS OF PARADOX LEADING THE FORETOLD TO HIS DESTINY OR TO HIS OWN CRUCIFIXION

MAH 'SESS BORN A HYBRID MUTANT, ENDOWED WITH TRIPLE OCULAR ORGANS OF UNKNOWN POWER MAH 'SESS, OUTCAST, A BIZARRE PRINCE IN EXILE WAS RAISED BY DESERT TRIBESMEN!

THE DESERT SHAMANS TAUGHT HIM HIS DESTINY TO EXPUNGE THE EVIL DWELLING IN THE CITY OF HIS FATHERS!

THAT DESTINY WAS NOW FULFILLED MAH SESS, THE RETURNED PRINCE, THE CROWNED KING WAS DAMNED BY HIS FULFILLMENT!

MAH SESS BROODINGLY MEDITATED IN HIS THRONEROOM SOMEWHERE THERE MUST BE A SOLUTION TO HIS PROBLEM AND THROUGH THE SWIRLING DARKNESS THE MIND OF MAH SESS WAS TOUCHED! AND CONTACT BEYOND THE REALM OF LIFE AND DEATH WAS MADE!

MAH 'SESS?
MAH SESS HEED
OUR CALL!



I AM
MAH 'SESS
WHO CALLS
TO ME?

WE ARE AS YOU ARE
WE HAVE SENSED YOUR PRESENCE
FOR YEARS EVER SINCE YOUR SEC-
OND EYES OPENED TO THE STREAM
OF PSYCHIC CONSCIOUSNESS TO
WHICH WE TOO ARE ATTUNED

WE HAVE WAITED
LONG TO TOUCH YOU
FOR MORE REASONS THAN CURIOSITY
TELL US MAH 'SESS, OF YOURSELF
AND YOUR PLACE, AND YOUR
PLIGHT

I WAS BORN IN THE CITY I NOW RULE THE
KINGDOM OF STONE! I WAS CAST OUT AND I
RETURNED!

I LEAD AN ARMY IMBUED WITH RIGHTEOUS FER-
VOR OF THE DESERT TRIBES! INTO THE KINGDOM
OF STONE WE STORMED, SLAUGHTERING ALL
BEFORE US!

BUT IN ORDER TO OBLITERATE THAT HATEFUL
EVIL WITHIN THE CITY, I DARED TO OPEN MY
PSYCHIC VISION FOR THE FIRST TIME AND
LO! LINKED EARTH AND HELL!



AS THE DEMONIC HORDES POURED FORTH I REALIZED THAT THE ONLY
EVIL IN THE STONE KINGDOM WAS MAH 'SESS HIMSELF!

THERE I STOOD THE MAN WITH TWO EYES TO SEE THE WORLD
OF MEN, TWO EYES TO SEE THE WORLD OF VISIONS
AND TWO EYES TO LOOSE THE DAMNATIONS OF HELL!

I SAW ONLY TOO CLEARLY THAT WHAT I HAD
DONE WAS THE ULTIMATE EVIL, AND IN AGONY,
I TORE THE DAMNING THIRD EYES FROM THEIR
SOCKETS!

BUT IT WAS FAR TOO LATE
FOR HELL WAS ALREADY
UPON EARTH, AND I WAS
KING OF A WORLD UNDER
SIEGE!

HOW CAN I HELP MANKIND?
NOW ALL MY POWERS MUST
BE TURNED AGAINST THIS
DEMONIC INFESTATION!

HAVE NO POWER TO SEND THEM BACK TO
HELL! THE ONLY POWER I HAD WAS TO
UNLEASH THEM. NOW, WITH EACH PASSING
MOMENT, THEIR POWER GROWS!

MY ARMIES ARE CRAZED WITH FEAR!
HOW CAN I ARGUE POLICIES OF STATE
OR GOVERN WISELY WHEN THE BLACK
SHADOW OF DOOM GROWS ABOVE?

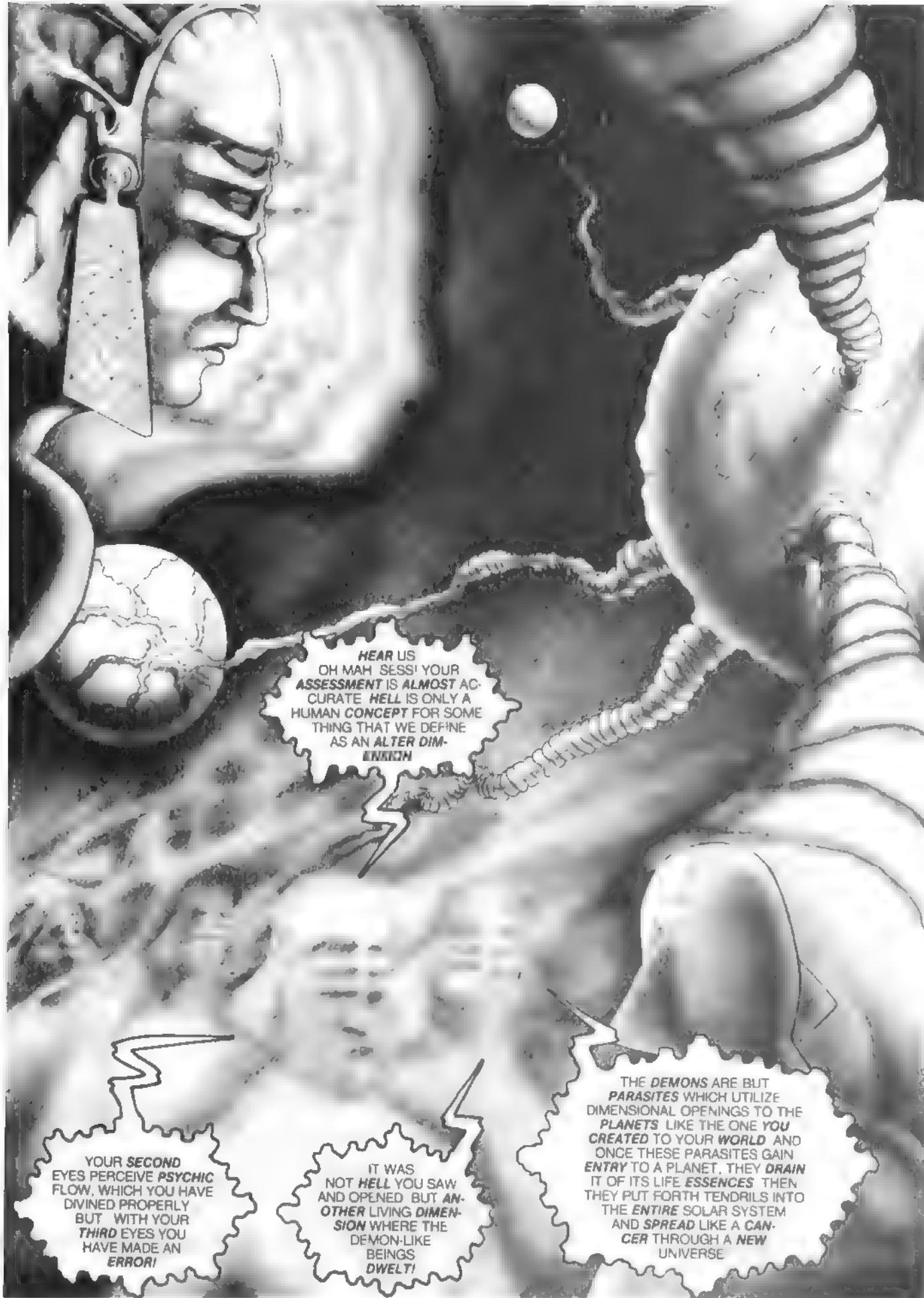


I HEAR THE SMITTEN, DISEASED OR MACHINING
PEOPLE, MY ARMY, MY OWN HEART,
SAVING: "MAH BEING WAS NOT OUR
SAVOR, HE WAS OUR DAMNATION!"

THE DEMONS WILL SOON PAVAGE THE
WORLD, BUT BEFORE THEY BEGIN,
THEY ARE CONSTRUCTING A HIVE
ABOVE MY CITY.

THE HIVE IS FOR A PURPOSE I CANNOT
IMAGINE, THOUGH, I FEEL, WHEN IT'S
CONSTRUCTION IS FINISHED, SO WILL
BE THE WORLD OF MEN.





"WHAT CAN I DO
TO STOP THEM?"

"YOU HAVE TORN OUT YOUR THIRD EYED. WITHOUT THEM SPECIAL SIGHT YOU CAN DO NOTHING! HOWEVER, WE
WILL DO WHAT WE CAN TO HELP YOU HERE IN OUR DIMENSION. TO DO WHAT MEN DO BEST... MAKE WAR!"

LET **EVERY CRAFTSMAN**
ENGINEER AND **CAPTAIN-CANNONEER**
PUT FORTH THE **SUPREME EFFORT** TO
CREATE THE **GREATEST WEAPONS**
EVER PUT TO WAR UPON
THIS PLANET!

WITH THE MACHINES
OF **MAN**, THE VISION OF **MAH**
'SESS AND WITH THE AID FROM
ELEMENTAL **FORCES** BEYOND MOR-
TAL COMPREHENSION, THE
HIVE AND EACH DEMON
WITH IT WILL FALL!

WELL THE KING OF
MENLESS FEEL
THE FEARS OF H
FUS. HOLLOWE
SIM. SCENE WA
BEIN
THE

BUT IF
WE MOVE QUICKLY.
WE CAN FEED THEIR
MISTRUST OF THEIR
SAVIOR!

AYE, ONLY
FROM THE STONE
KINGDOM WILL ANY
MORTAL RESISTANCE
BE MOUNTED
AGAINST OUR
ADVANCE!

FOR THERE
LIES THE ONE WHO
HAS THE POWER TO GIVE
US ENTRY TO THIS WORLD
I FEAR THIS MAH'SESS
MIGHT SUCCEED IN
GATHERING HIS
FORCES AND
ATTACK OUR
STRONGFORT

YES WE LL
SIMPLY PLAY UPON
THEIR SUPERSTITIOUS
MINDS AND LET THEM
MURDER HIM
FOR US!



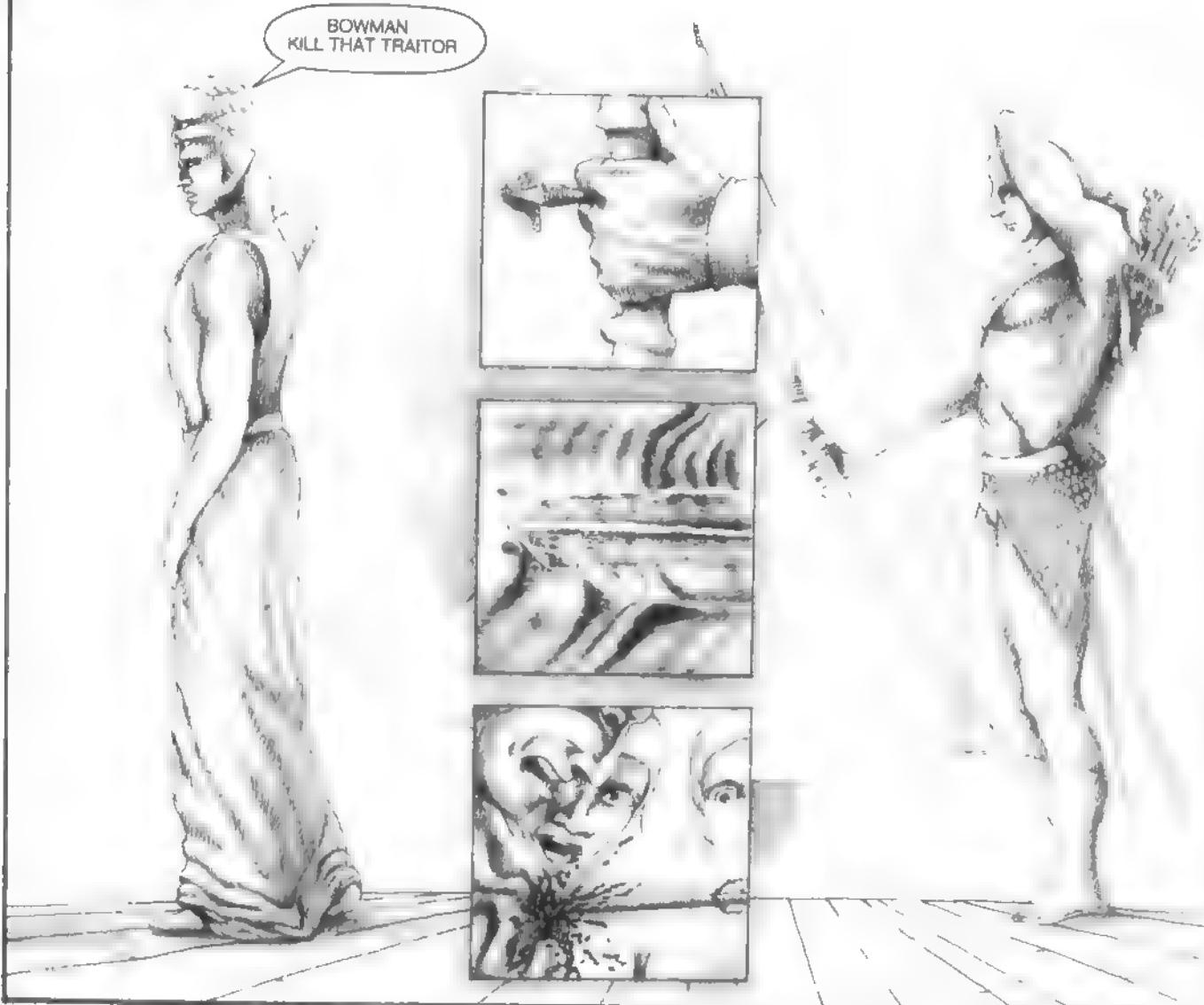
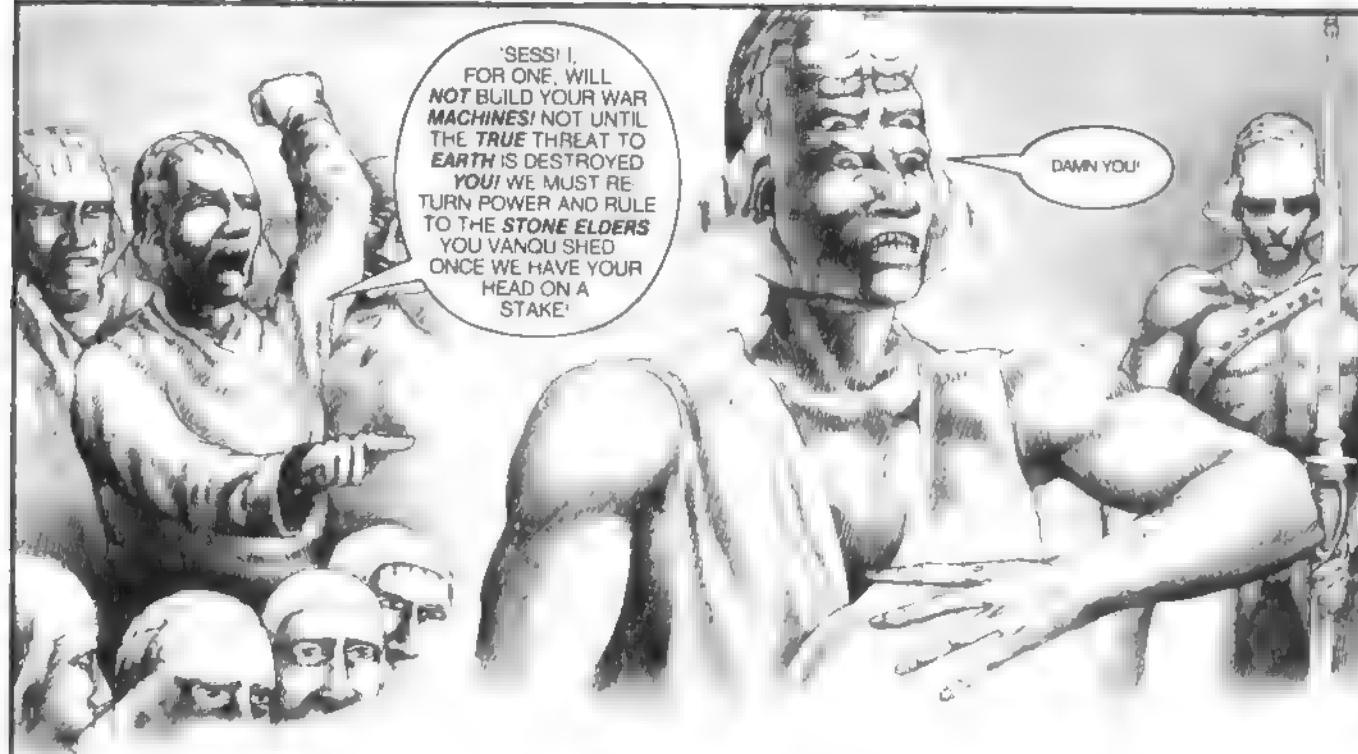
THE DRAINING COMPLEX ALREADY HAD BEGIN LEECHING ENERGY FROM THE PLANET! ENERGY WHICH THE WORKERS UTILIZED TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE HIVE

AN EMISSARY WAS CHOSEN, WITH A DARK AND DEADLY MISSION TO PERFORM AMONG THE CITIZENRY OF THE STONE KINGDOM

'SESS! I,
FOR ONE, WILL
NOT BUILD YOUR WAR
MACHINES! NOT UNTIL
THE TRUE THREAT TO
EARTH IS DESTROYED
YOU! WE MUST RE
TURN POWER AND RULE
TO THE STONE ELDERS
YOU VANQUISHED
ONCE WE HAVE YOUR
HEAD ON A
STAKE!'

DAMN YOU!

BOWMAN
KILL THAT TRAITOR





SEE YE
CITIZENS. WHAT
A SCOURGE IS LAID
UPON OUR HEADS FOR
LADDY FOLLOWING
A MAN WITH TOO
MANY EYES WHO
SEES TOO
LITTLE?

THERE WAS THENCE A SECRET TRIBUNAL OF THE ELDERS TO
SEE WHAT THEY COULD **MAKE** OF THE BLOODY-HANDED
LEADER THEY FEARED NOT TO SERVE!

SUDDENLY THE SECRET SESSION WAS **INTERRUPTED** BY THE
LEATHERN SLAP OF VAST NIGHT WINGS AND A BESTIAL
GROWL AT THE WINDOW

SO YOU
DISSENT AGAINST
MAH SESS AL-
READY, EH?

GOOD! I
HAVE BEEN IN-
STRUCTED TO OFFER
YOU A **BARGAIN** YOU
ARE OFFERED LIFE
IF YOU WILL AID
WITH THE DEATH
OF THIS THRIC-
CURSED MAH
'SESS!

WHAT
IS YOUR **OFFER**,
HELL HOUND?

OUR PROMISE OF
PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE
WE MEAN YOU NO HARM MAH SESS
LIES ABOUT OUR MOTIVES WE WERE ALLOWED
TO ESCAPE FROM HELL AND HAVE NO
WISH TO RETURN!

SHALL
WE ALLY
AGAINST MAD
MAH SESS THEN?
OR SHALL WE LET
HIM LEAD US ALL
TO WAR'S USE-
LESS DEATH?

THE PACT WAS SEALED WITH PROMISES OF PEACE, OATHS OF ALLIANCE AND ASSURANCES OF CO-EXISTENCE.

1 AND WHILE THE EXHAUSTED DREAMS OF MAH SESS HELD HIM IN SLUMBER'S SWAY, THE SURVIVORS OF THE STONE KINGDOM AND HIS OWN ONCE FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS, STOLE INTO THE FIELDS WHERE THE MACHINES OF WAR BULKED.

LARGE

IN A FEW HOURS OF DESTRUCTIVE FRENZY, THE GREAT WAR MACHINES THAT WERE THE WORLD'S LAST HOPE AGAINST THE OVERWHELMING ENCROACHMENTS OF THE HIVE, DIED!

AND ABOVE THE EARTH, THE HIVE PULSED WITH EVIL AS ITS DESTRUCTIVE FORCES GREW AT ONCE! AND THE BURNED POOLS BELOW HAD SIGNED THEIR OWN DEATH CERTIFICATES!







WRACKED WITH GROTESQUE NIGHTMARES, MAH SESS SLEPT FITFULLY, UNAWARE THAT HIS TENT HAD BEEN ENTERED BY THE DEMONIC EMISSARY! THE SECOND PHASE OF HIS ALL TOO SUCCESSFUL MISSION WAS ABOUT TO START!

WITH BESTIAL SWIFTNESS, THE DEMON'S TALONS RAKED THE SLEEPING FACE OF MAH SESS!

THE FOUR DRIPPING SIGHTLESS SOCKETS OPENED TO THE DEMON, WHO SMILED, PLEASED WITH HIS HIDEOUS BUTCHERY!

YOU CLAWED OUT YOUR INTER DIMENSIONAL EYES MAH SESS BECAUSE YOU SAW TOO MUCH! NOW, YOU DON'T HAVE TO SEE ANYTHING! BECAUSE ALL THERE IS TO SEE IS THE END OF YOUR DREAMS!

NOT QUITE BLIND! IF YOUR WORK IS ALWAYS AS THOROUGH AS THIS, WE SHALL NOT LOSE!

AIEEEE!

SLICK!

SIR!
WE'VE BEATEN
THE REBELS! THE
MACHINES ARE
OURS AGAIN!

GUARDS!
CLEAR THIS CORPSE
OUT OF HERE.

PERHAPS
IT IS HOPELESS!
THE DEMONS CONSPIRE
WITH MY ENEMIES AGAINST
ME. SMASH OUR ONLY HOPE
OF DEFENSE. ONLY
HOPE?—WAIT
SOMETHING'S
HAPPENING!



PLUNGED IN THE DARKEST DESPAIR,
MAN SESS DOESN'T NOTICE, AT FIRST
THE INSISTENT ITCH BEHIND HIS BAN-
DAGED EYES!

THE ITCH GROWS TO BECOME AN
OVERWHELMING AGONY BURNING IN
THE EMPTY PITS OF HIS THIRD SET OF
EYES!

THE BANDAGES BEGAN TO SMOKE AND
BURN! THEY FALL AWAY SEARED, TO
REVEAL A BLAZING LIGHT IN THE
SOCKETLESS EYES!

MY LORD!
YOUR EYES!

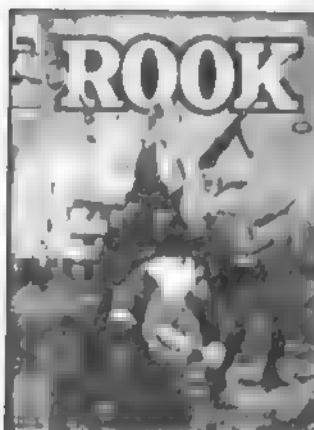
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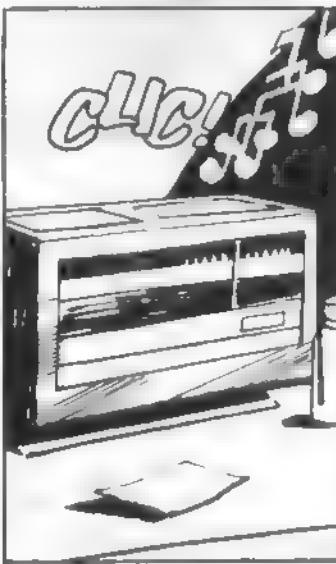


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HOWARD PENNYBERRY ALWAYS HEARD THE SMALL CLICK BEFORE THE ALARM WENT OFF



HOWARD PENNYBERRY ALWAYS IGNORED THE ALARM!



REMEMBER

IT IS NOW
SIX O'CLOCK ON
THIS TRAGIC TUESDAY
MORNING !

THE WORD RINGS WITH ITS OWN
ALARM!

TRAGIC?

ALL THE
PEOPLE

HOWARD PENNYBERRY IS AWAKE NOW!



THE PILLOW IS NO LONGER A COMFORTING FEATHER SAFETY!

HOWARD DOESN'T WANT TO HEAR THIS!

JOHN
LENNON WAS
SHOT TO DEATH
LAST NIGHT!

JOHN
LENNON WAS
WHAT?

SHOT TO
DEATH?

DEAD!

TRAGIC TUESDAY HAS BEGUN!

AS HOWARD GRADUALLY AWAKENED,
HALF SEEN, BLOOD SPATTERED DREAMS
FLEE BEFORE THE DAYLIGHT OF FULL
CONSCIOUSNESS!

A MILLION ELECTRONIC IMAGES OF DEATH



OVER MORNING TOAST AND COFFEE

POLICE ESTIMATE
THAT THE SIZE OF THE
CROWD GATHERED IN FRONT
OF THE DAKOTA TO BE OVER
SEVEN THOUSAND STRONG!
MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN
HERE ALL NIGHT!

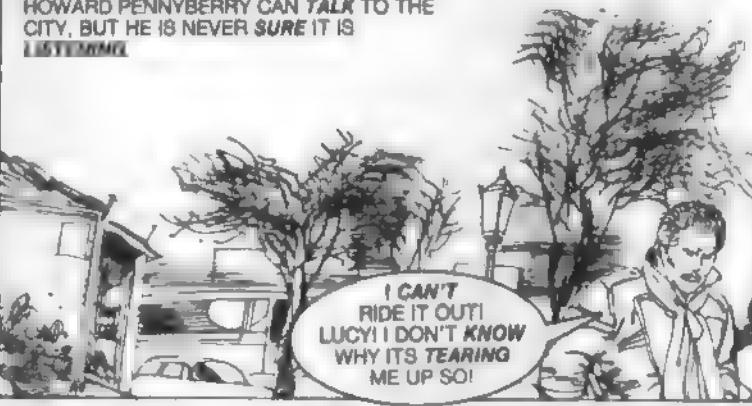
IT SEEMS
AS IF THE ENTIRE
CITY IS IN MOURNING
FOR JOHN LENNON!



TALENT SPILLED OUT ONTO DIRTY
CEMENT.. GONE!

HOWARD PENNYBERRY CAN TALK TO THE CITY, BUT HE IS NEVER SURE IT IS
LAST TIME

BY AFTERNOON HE IS
DRIVEN ONTO THE
SIDEWALKS OF
MANHATTAN



I CAN'T
RIDE IT OUT!
LUCY! I DON'T KNOW
WHY IT'S TEARING
ME UP SO!

I MEAN I
DON'T GO AROUND
PLAYING JOHN LENNON
SONGS EVERY DAY
DO I?

NOT
THAT I
KNOW
OF!

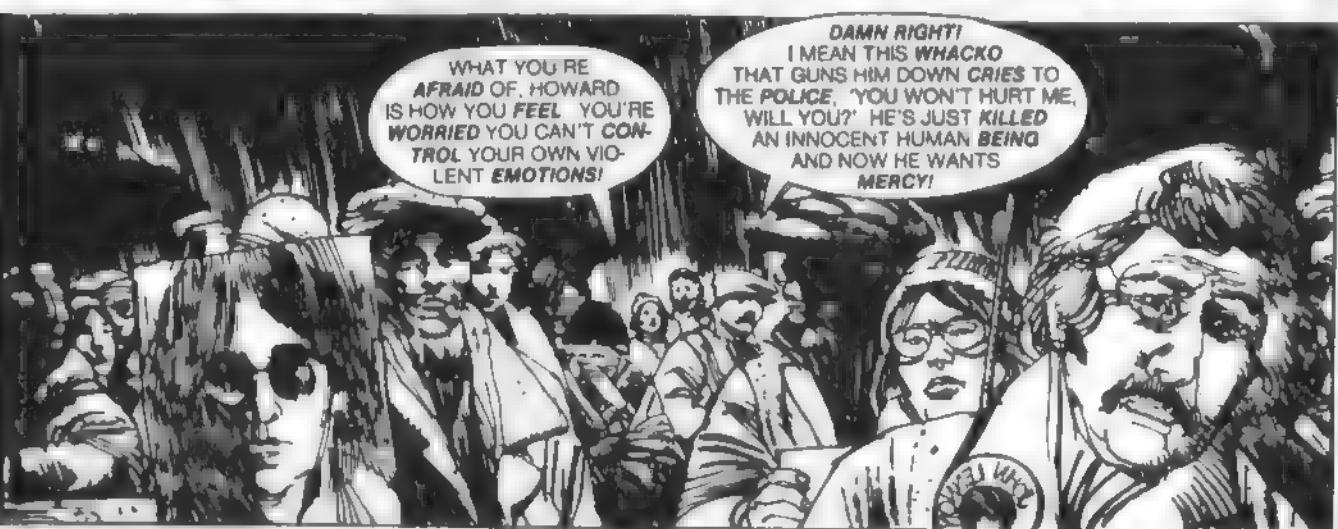


I WATCHED
THE T.V. ALL MORNING. DON'T ASK ME WHY.
I SAW THE HEAD OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN CALMLY PROMOTING ETHNIC PURITY AND
COMMANDO TRAINING FOR
RACE WARS, AND USING
THE GODDAMN BIBLE
AS THE REFERENCE!



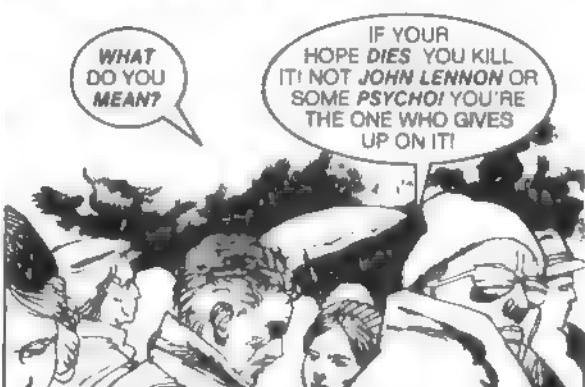
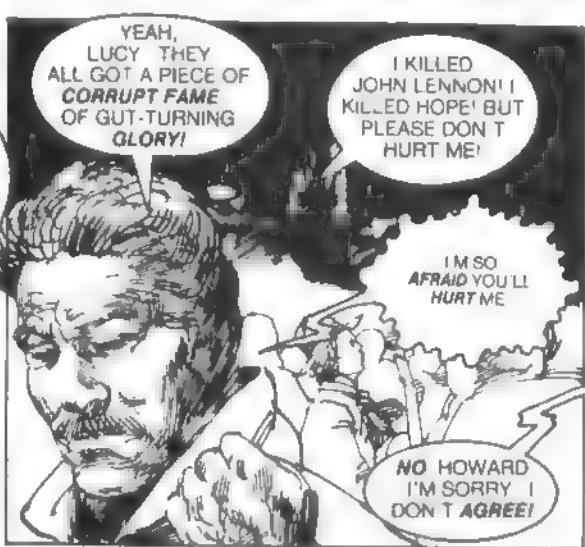
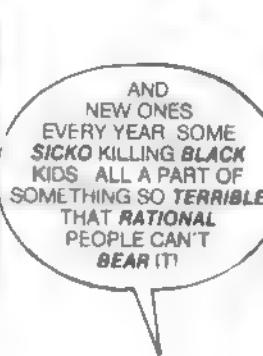
MEANWHILE
JOHN LENNON'S
LYING DEAD IN THE
MORGUE! IT DOESN'T
MAKE ANY SENSE
TO ME!

WHAT
I HEAR ARE
ARGUMENTS FOR AND
AGAINST GUN CONTROL.
ABOUT CAPITAL PUNISH-
MENT. I WANT PEACE
AND VENGEANCE BOTH,
BUT I DON'T KNOW
WHERE I STAND!



WHAT YOU'RE
AFRAID OF, HOWARD
IS HOW YOU FEEL. YOU'RE
WORRIED YOU CAN'T
CONTROL YOUR OWN VIO-
LENT EMOTIONS!

DAMN RIGHT!
I MEAN THIS WHACKO
THAT GUNS HIM DOWN CRIES TO
THE POLICE, 'YOU WON'T HURT ME,
WILL YOU?' HE'S JUST KILLED
AN INNOCENT HUMAN BEING
AND NOW HE WANTS
MERCY!



THE CROWD SHOUTS "GIVE PEACE A CHANCE!" THE POGUES
VOICES SOUND ALMOST HOLY.

AS IF THEY WANT TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT HUMANITY
CAN BE ALL THE THINGS THAT THE POETS SAY IT CAN.



AND THEN THE SAME
FOLKS WHO SANG

WITH SUCH
SINCERE GRIEF

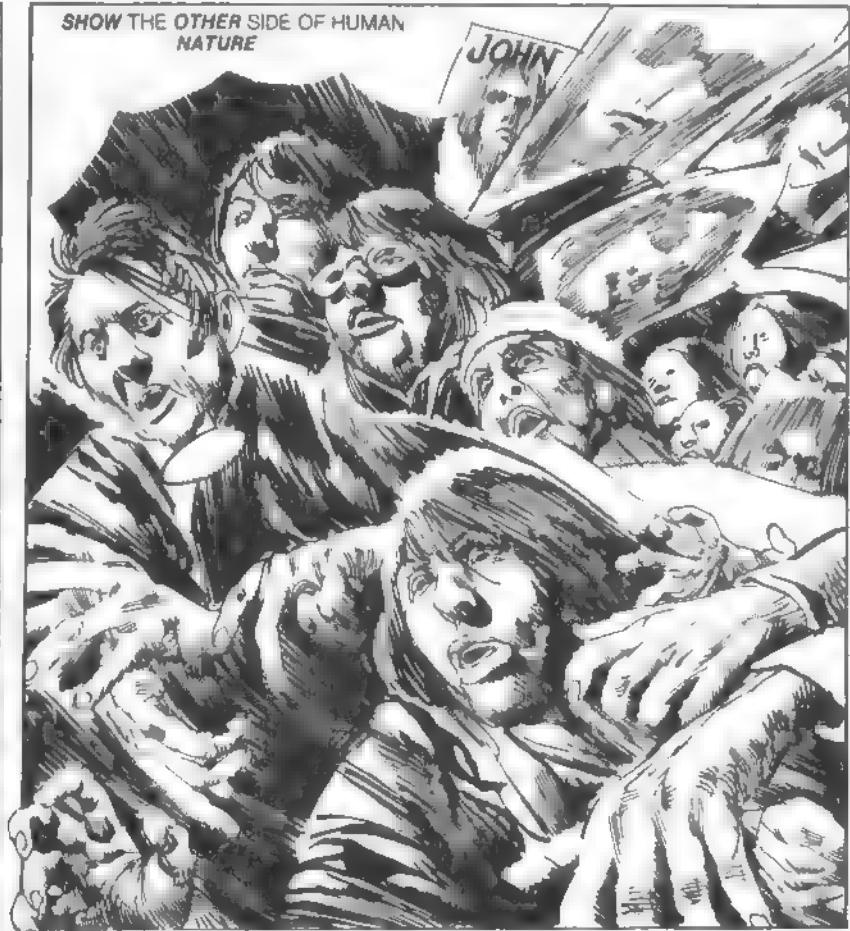
WHERE?
I DON T SEE
HIM!

what happened
HEY!
IS THAT
RINGO?



SHOW THE OTHER SIDE OF HUMAN
NATURE

JOHN



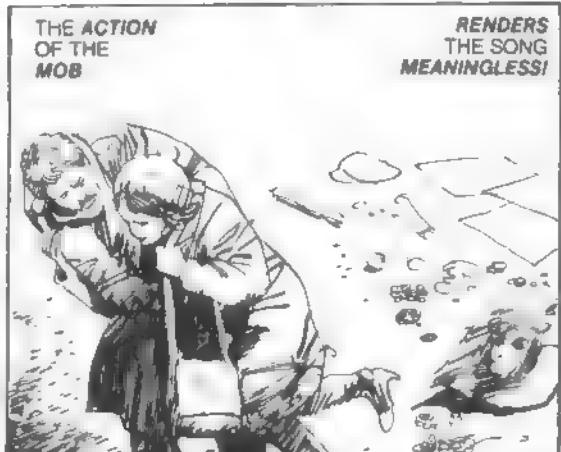
AS THEY TRY TO TEAR THE
HAIR OUT OF RINGO'S SCALP!

JUST
FOR A
MEMETO

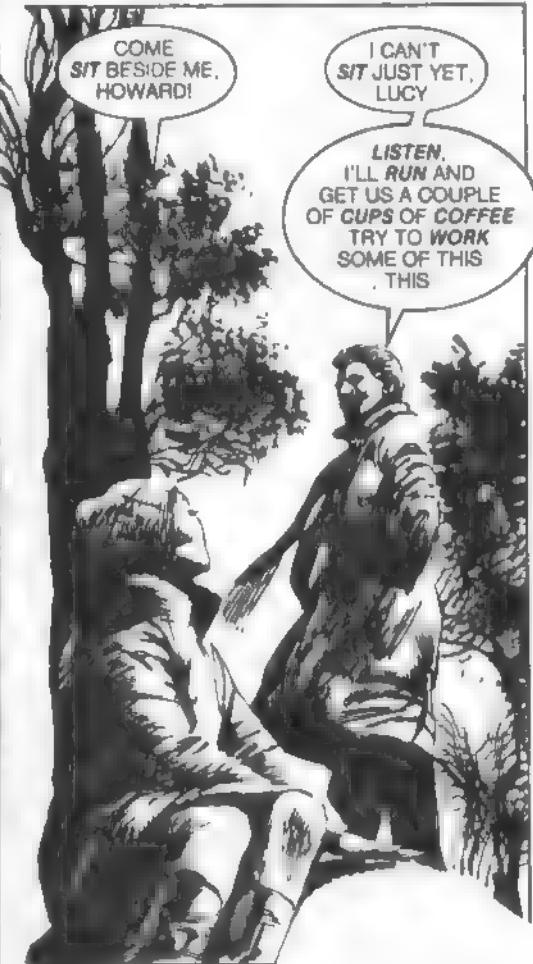


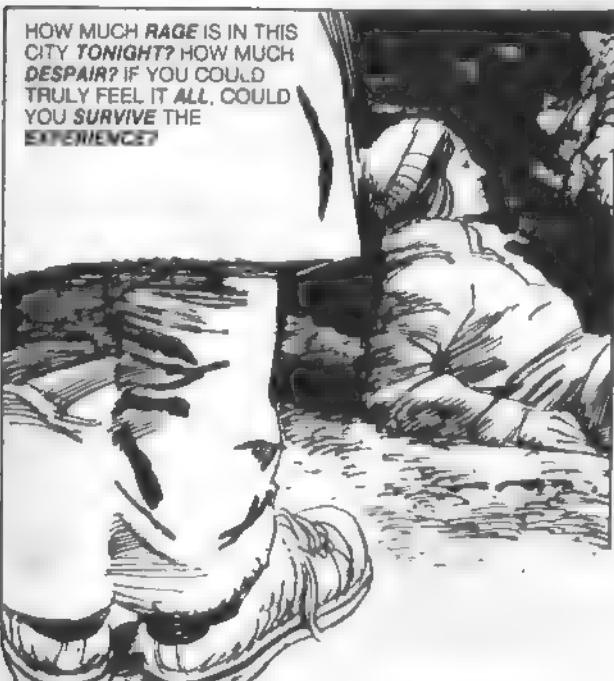
THE ACTION
OF THE
MOB

RENDERS
THE SONG
MEANINGLESS!



THE GATHERING DUSK SEEMS TO CAPTURE AND HOLD
THE MELANCHOLIA OF THE DAY...









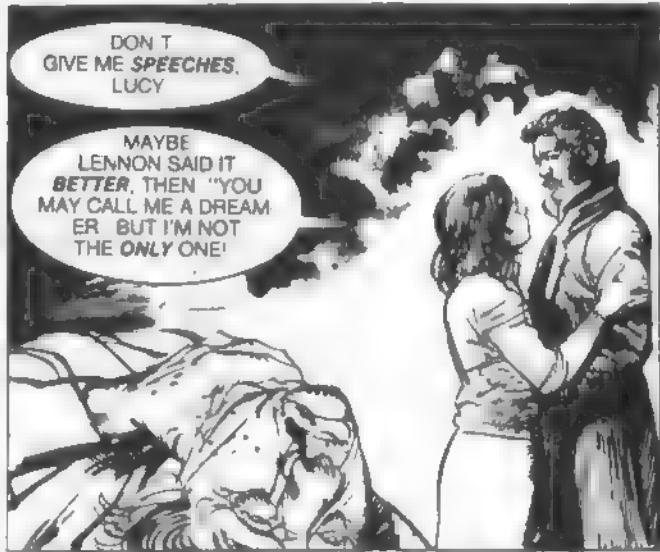
HOW DO YOU REACT TO THE PROFANE? TO A VIOLATION OF YOUR SANITY?

C MON!
I KNOW YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING TO GIVE!

DO YOU SHOUT?
SCREAM? CRY? PLEAD?
INSULT? DEMAND?







THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK

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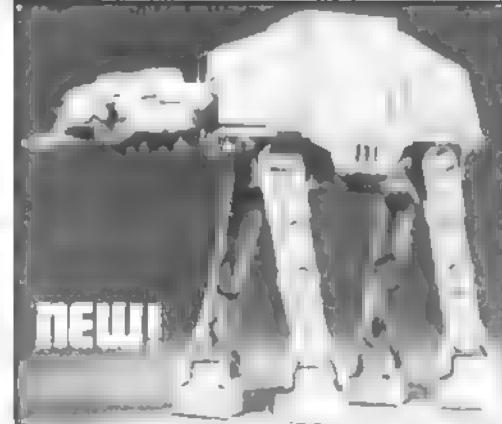
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NEW!



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prologue

THALL WAS A LITTLE KING, WITH VERY LARGE AMBITIONS. HE COVETED THE POWER OF THE GODS, AND HE WOULD STOP AT NOTHING TO SEE THAT DIVINE POWER WAS HIS! ALONE!

HE HAD KILLED ONCE TO ATTAIN HIS DREAM! WHEN HIS HIGH PRIEST HAD DECIPHERED THE ANCIENT WRITINGS ON THE FABLED ICON, THE GOD-STONE, THE VILE LITTLE MONARCH HAD HIM SLAIN!

WITH THE PRIEST DEAD, THE MYSTIC SECRETS WOULD BE HIS, OR SO THALL ERRONEOUSLY BELIEVED. UNTIL HE REALIZED THAT THE HOLY MAN HAD PREDICTED HIS TREACHERY, AND HIDDEN THE PARCHMENT WHICH CONTAINED THE MYSTIC TRUTHS. WHERE NO MAN WOULD EVER FIND THEM!



NO, SIRE! BUT I'M CERTAIN I'LL FIND IT... EVEN IF THE HIGH PRIEST HID IT IN HELL ITSELF!

WELL...? HAVE YOU FOUND THE PARCHMENT?

YOUR HEALTH DEPENDS ON YOUR SUCCESS, HOLY MAN! MAKE SURE YOU BRING THE MANUSCRIPT TO ME BEFORE THE FULL MOON!

IT SEEMS THAT THEY ARE DISTURBED BY THE INCURSIONS OF YOUR SOLDIERS INTO THEIR TERRITORIES!

AND THEY EXPECT AN EXPLANATION FROM ME?

IF YOU'LL PERMIT ME, MY LIEGE, YOU HAVE MORE PRESSING WORRIES THAN A MERE PIECE OF PARCHMENT! THERE IS A GROUP OF BARONS WHO WISH AN AUDIENCE WITH YOU!

MIGHT I SUGGEST THAT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THEM JUST HOW POWERFUL YOU REALLY ARE, MY LIEGE!

AN ASTUTE SUGGESTION, MY FRIEND! I MUST ADMIT YOU CAN BE MORE CUNNING THAN THE DREADED SCORPIONS OF DURIA!

HAGGARTH

PATH
OF THE
TEMPERED
SOUL!

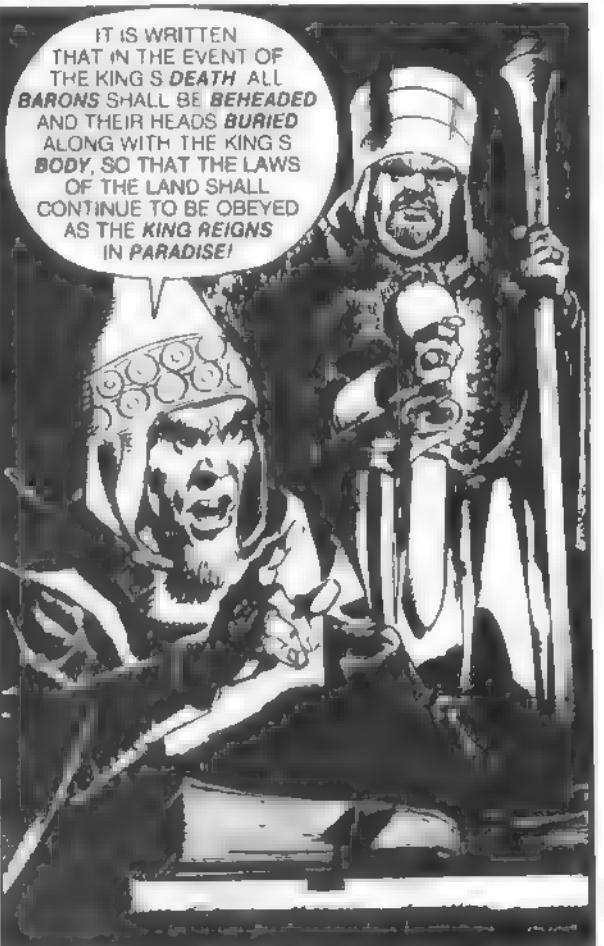


BALANCING UPON CLEVER WOODEN STILTS, HIDEN BENEATH LONG, FLOWING ROBES, THE DWARF KING ATTAINS THE DEMEANOR OF A GIANT! HE SUMMONS THE ROYAL DISSIDENTS, SWAYING SLIGHTLY AND SMILING WICKEDLY DOWN UPON THEM FROM HIS LOFTY, IMPERIAL PERCH!

FOOTSTOOL
FOOTSTOOL
FOOTSTOOL
FOOTSTOOL



BEFORE YOU AIR YOUR GRIEVANCES, LET US BE CERTAIN THAT NONE OF YOU ARE IGNORANT OF THE LAWS THAT WERE WRITTEN TO GOVERN US ALL! PERHAPS I SHOULD HAVE OUR HIGH PRIEST REMIND YOU OF THEM ONCE AGAIN!



IT IS WRITTEN THAT IN THE EVENT OF THE KING'S DEATH ALL BARONS SHALL BE BEHEADED AND THEIR HEADS BURIED ALONG WITH THE KING'S BODY, SO THAT THE LAWS OF THE LAND SHALL CONTINUE TO BE OBEYED AS THE KING REIGNS IN PARADISE!

WE ARE WELL AWARE OF YOUR LAWS
THALLI THOUGH WE CARE LITTLE FOR
THEM WE ABIDE BY THEM WHAT WE CAN
NO LONGER TOLERATE IS THE WAY YOUR
MEN HAVE BEEN RAVAGING OUR
VILLAGES!

THEY HAVE BURNED OUR HOMES
STOLEN OUR TOOLS AND WEAPONS
RAPED OUR WOMEN! YOUR SOLDIERS HAVE
ATTACKED US AS IF WE WERE THE ENEMY!
A PATH OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION
FOLLOWS THEM WHEREVER THEY
HAVE BEEN!

BY OBEYING YOUR LAWS WE ARE
CREATING A WORLD WHERE ONLY
THE STRONG SURVIVE! YOU MAY
CALL US NOBLEMEN BUT IN
REALITY WE ARE SLAVES!

YOU SEEM TO FORGET THAT
THESE LAWS ARE NOT MINE
BUT THE WISHES OF OUR GODS!
WE MUST DO AS THEY HAVE IN-
STRUCTED US IT WOULD BE
FUTILE TO RESIST!

WHAT KIND OF GODS
ARE THESE WHO FORCE
MEN TO SUFFER?

ALL MEN MUST SUFFER
AND ACCEPT THEIR FATES!
SO IT IS WRITTEN!

THOUGH I HAVE
AGREED TO GIVE YOU
AN AUDIENCE MY
PATIENCE IS RUNNING
THIN! LEAVE ME NOW,
NOBLEMEN! AND I
CAUTION YOU. OBEY THE
LAWS AND DO NOT
CHALLENGE MY PLANS
FOR THIS LAND!

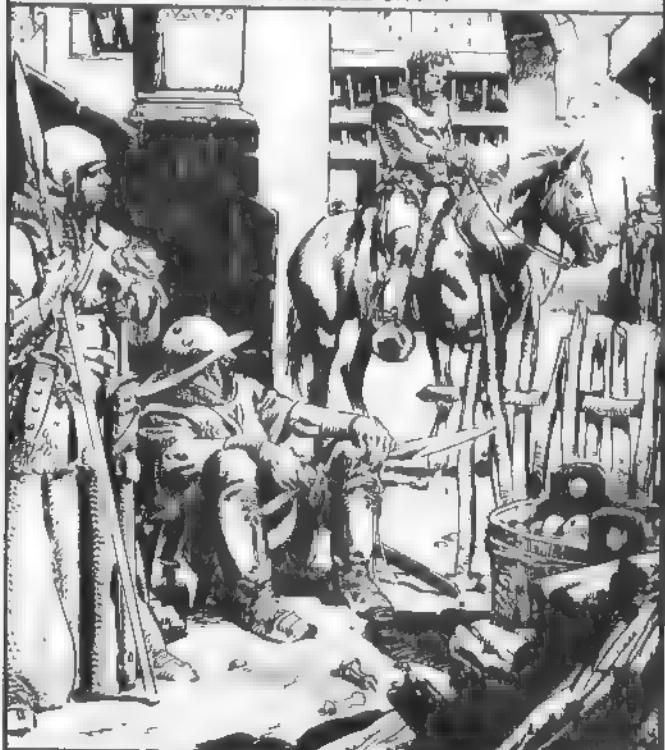
IT IS
CLEAR TO US
THAT YOU WISH
ONLY TO GOVERN
THIS LAND LIKE
A TRUE DESPOT.
THALLI YOU HAVE
NEITHER OUR
SUPPORT OR
LOYALTY!

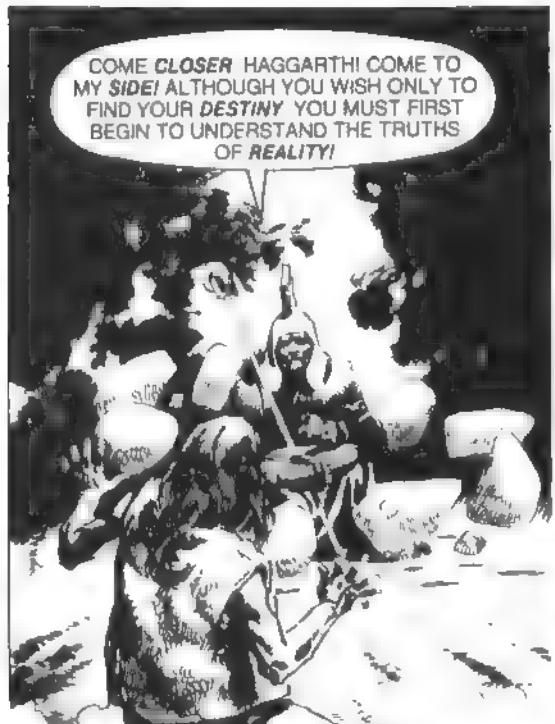
YOU ARE A FOOL SIR
TO THINK YOU CAN SPEAK
TO YOUR KING IN SUCH
A MANNER!

I HAVE NO
KING! YOU ARE A
SIMPERING CUR!



UNAWARE OF THE SCHEME BEING HATCHED AGAINST HIM, THE NOBLE KNOWN AS BORIN PREPARED TO LEAVE HIS MALICIOUS KING'S WALLED CITY !





COME CLOSER HAGGARTH! COME TO MY SIDE! ALTHOUGH YOU WISH ONLY TO FIND YOUR DESTINY YOU MUST FIRST BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND THE TRUTHS OF REALITY!



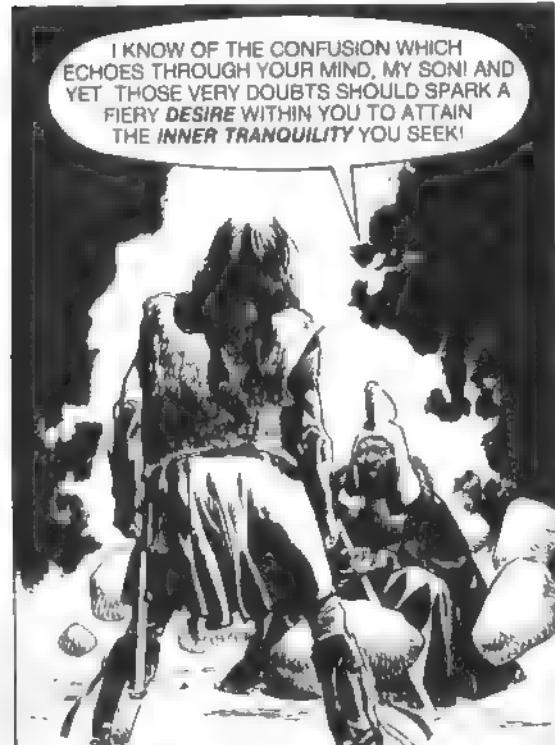
REALITY? HOW CAN I PERCEIVE REALITY WHEN I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF I'M LIVING IN A REAL WORLD OR IN A NIGHTMARE WHERE DEMONS, WITCHCRAFT AND SORCERY ARE TO BE-DEVIL ME FOR ALL ETERNITY!

MEN WHO NOURISH THEMSELVES WITH THEIR ILLUSIONS ARE WEAK IN SPIRIT AND WILL UNDOUBTEDLY FALL WHEN FACED WITH THE TRUTHS OF LIFE!



YOU MUST MAKE A SACRIFICE, MY SON! IT MUST BE A PERSONAL SACRIFICE FROM WHICH OTHERS WILL BENEFIT! THAT IS THE PRICE YOU MUST PAY FOR THE INNER PEACE YOU SO DESPERATELY DESIRE!

IT IS THE ONLY WAY TO RELIEVE THE TORMENT WHICH INFESTS YOUR VERY SOUL!



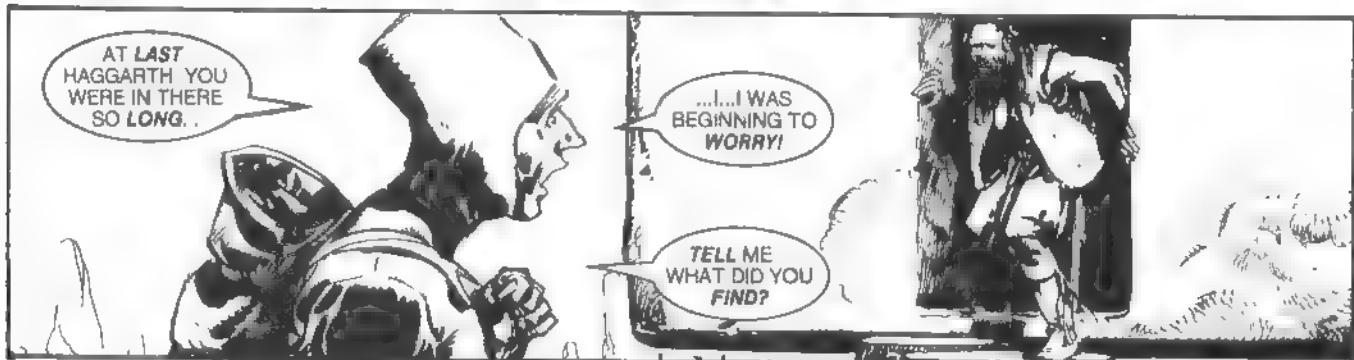
I KNOW OF THE CONFUSION WHICH ECHOES THROUGH YOUR MIND, MY SON! AND YET THOSE VERY DOUBTS SHOULD SPARK A FIERY DESIRE WITHIN YOU TO ATTAIN THE INNER TRANQUILITY YOU SEEK!



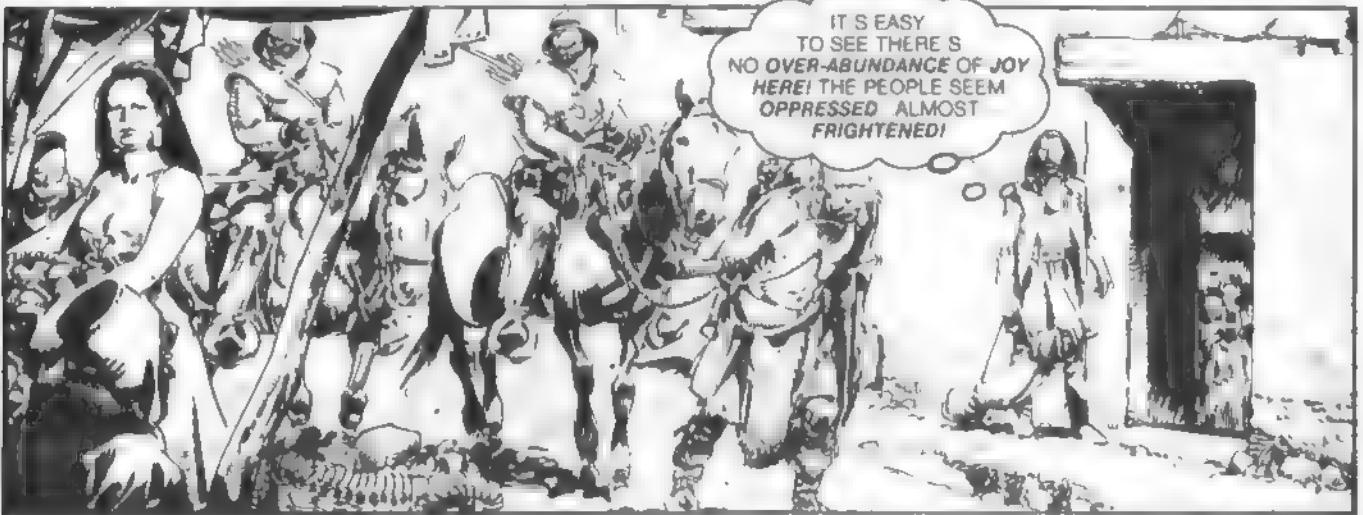
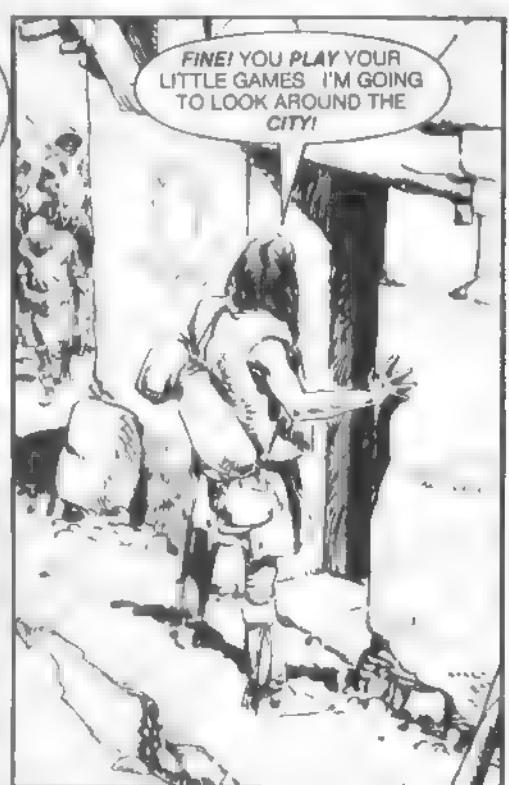
I I THINK I UNDERSTAND, OLD MAN! THIS PEACE YOU SPEAK OF IS WITHIN MY REACH! BUT WILL NOT MY ORIGINS AS A SIMPLE WOODCUTTER BE SUBJUGATED BY THE WARRIOR ALSO WITHIN ME?

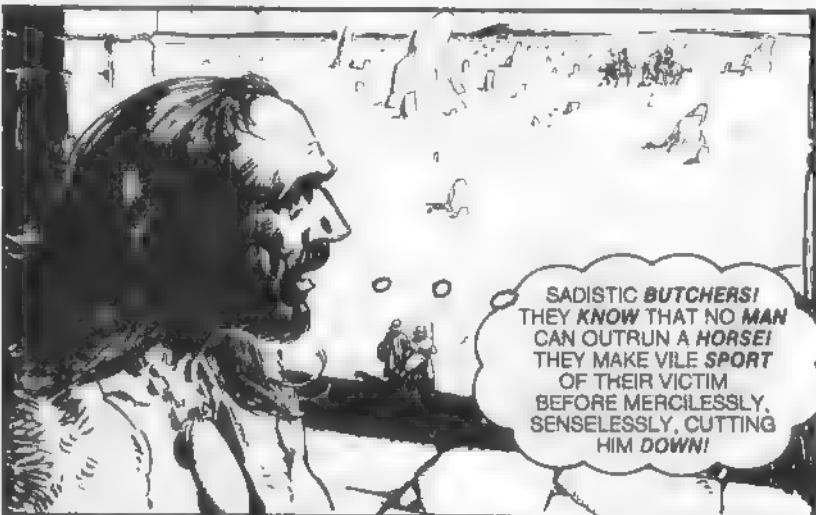
YOU ARE WARRIOR AND WOODCUTTER TWO MEN WHO RESIDE WITHIN ONE! EACH MUST RECONCILE HIMSELF TO LIVING IN ACCORD WITH THE OTHER

FOR NOTHING CAN SEPARATE THE TWO SOULS EVER AGAIN!



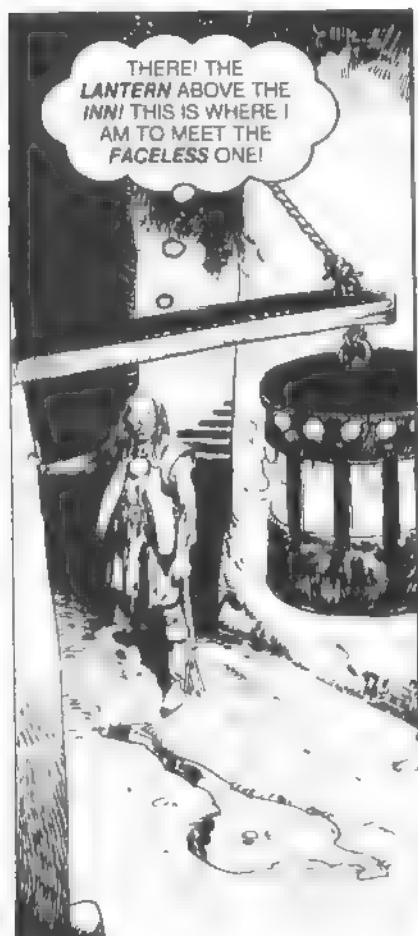
THE TROUBLED WARRIOR STALKED PURPOSEFULLY FROM THE ROCK-STREWN ALIEN LANDS, RAPT IN THOUGHTFUL SILENCE! IT WAS A SILENCE THAT FRIGHTENED THE LITTLE BEGGAR, ETHAN, AS HE SKITTERED LOYALLY BEHIND!





MEANWHILE, WITHIN THE CLOVING ROCK WALLS OF A MUCH SMALLER FORTRESS, HAGGARTH, THE TUNIC WARRIOR IN SEARCH OF HIS SOUL, CONFRONTED AN ENIGMA!





THEN THE DOOR TO THE INN SWIFTLY OPENED, AND THE ANGRY WARRIOR WAS RUSHED HURRIEDLY INSIDE!

PLEASE FORGIVE THE DRAMATICS MY FRIEND! I HAD TO BE CERTAIN THAT YOUR SKILL WITH THE BLADE WAS ALL THAT YOUR TRAVELING COMPANION CLAIMED IT TO BE!

YOU SACRIFICED THE LIVES OF TWO MEN TO TEST ME?

CAN YOU THINK OF A MORE CERTAIN TRIAL TO EVALUATE THE TALENTS OF A SKILLED ASSASSIN? YOU'VE PROVEN TO ME THAT YOU ARE INDEED THE MAN I NEED TO STILL THE LIFE OF A DANGEROUS AND TREACHEROUS NOBLEMAN!

HOW CAN YOU BE CERTAIN MY SWORD IS FOR NICE FRIEND?

YOU ARE HERE ARE YOU NOT? THAT IN ITSELF IS MUTE TESTIMONY TO YOUR GREED!

THIS HEAVY BAG OF SILVER IS PAYMENT ENOUGH FOR A DOZEN MEN'S LIVES! I'M CERTAIN IT WILL ASSURE YOUR COOPERATION!

IF NOT, WELL MANY OF THE KING'S GUARDS WOULD LIKE NOTHING BETTER THAN TO KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THE WITCHES WHO ATTACKED THEIR COMRADES OUTSIDE!

I SEE! AND THIS NOBLEMAN WHAT MIGHT HIS NAME BE?

HE IS BORIN OF THE FOREST VALLEY! SIMPLY BRING ME HIS HEAD AND THE SILVER IS YOURS!

YOU PLACE A HEAVY BURDEN ON ME! GIVE ME TIME TO THINK IT OVER! I SHOULD HAVE AN ANSWER FOR YOU BY THE TIME THE SUN SETS ON MY GRAVE!

PUKIN LOOK! HERE COMES MY FRIEND, HAGGARTH! I THOUGHT HE HAD ABANDONED ME! HE MUST HAVE DECIDED TO JOIN US AFTER ALL!

ANGER WELLING BILIOUSLY WITHIN HIS THROAT THE WARRIOR RETURNED TO THE INN, TO TELL THE BEGGAR WHO HAD BECOME HIS SHADOW THAT HE WAS GOING TO LEAVE THIS PERVERSE PLACE

HAGGARTH YOUR WRIST! YOU'RE HURT! WHAT HAPPENED? DON'T TELL ME THAT SOME LOW DOWN THIEVES ATTACKED YOU?

MY WOUNDS ARE MY BUSINESS ALONE! I'VE COME ONLY FOR MY THINGS BEGGAR THEN WE CAN GO OUR SEPARATE WAYS!

LISTEN, HAGGARTH, BEFORE YOU TAKE ON THE WORLD OF YOURSELF I WANT YOU TO MEET MY FRIEND! HE HAS AN INTERESTING PROPOSITION!

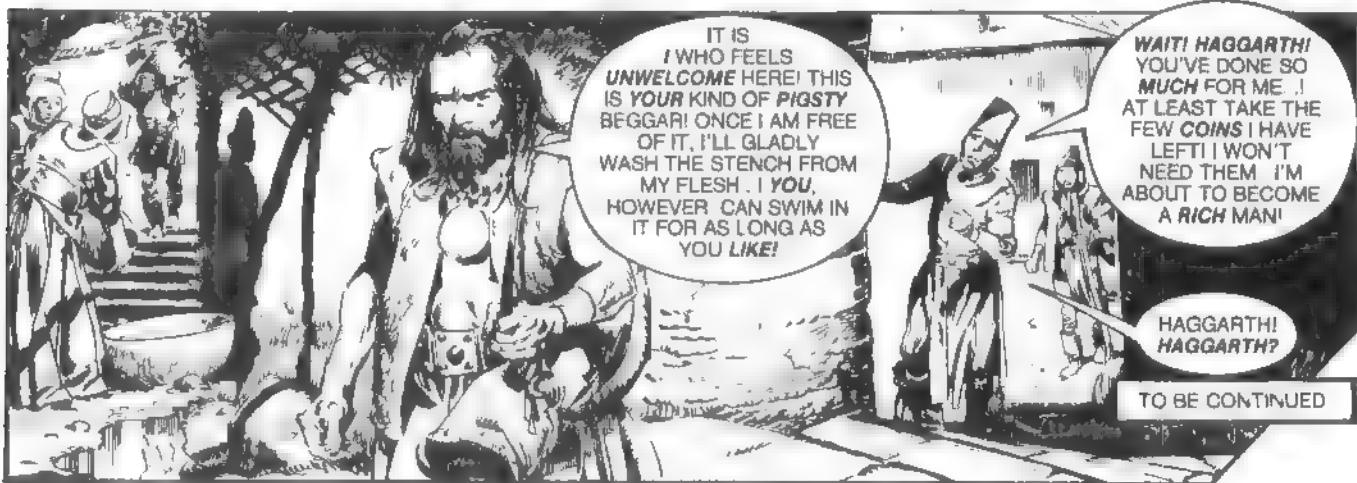
I'M WEARY OF THIS TOWN AND ITS TANGLE OF PROPOSITIONS!



BUT PUKIN KNOWS OF A PLACE OF TREMENDOUS TREASURES AND THE ONE WHO OWNS THIS FABULOUS WEALTH, WILL NOT OBJECT TO OUR SHARING IN SOME OF IT!

OF COURSE, PUKIN'S GENEROUS NATURE DICTATES THAT HE NOT HOARD SUCH GOOD FORTUNE ALL TO HIMSELF! A STRONG SWORDARM SUCH AS YOURS IS ALWAYS WELCOME TO COME ALONG!

YES, I'VE NOTICED HOW WELCOME MY SWORD SEEMS TO BE IN THIS FOUL PLACE!



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HAGGARTH! HAGGARTH!

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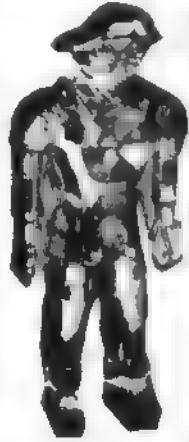
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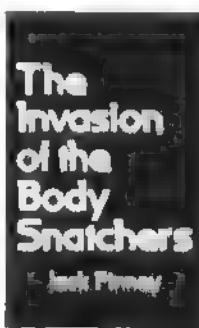
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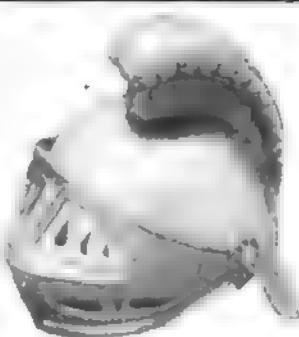


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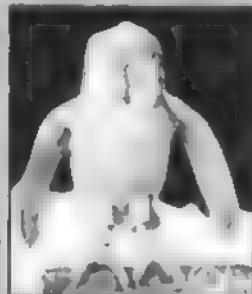
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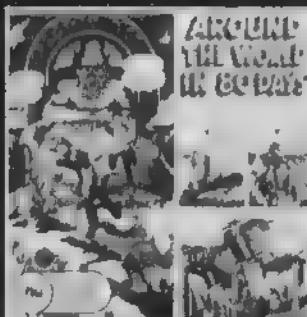
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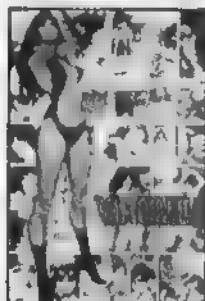


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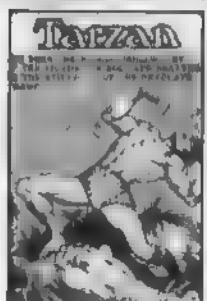
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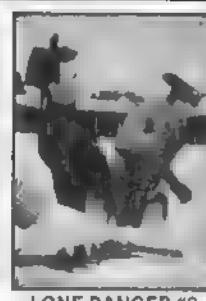
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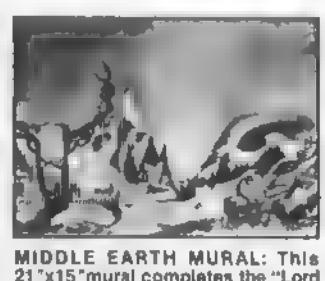
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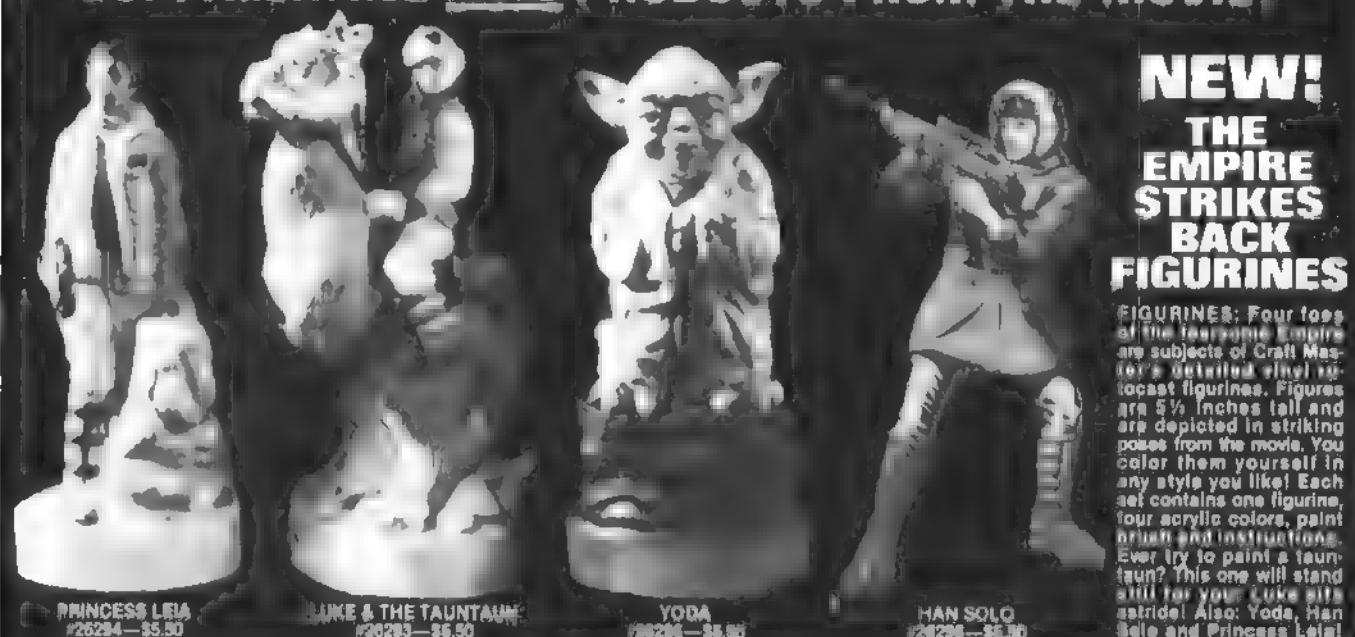
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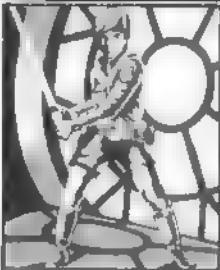
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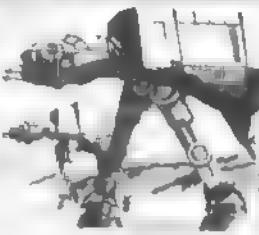


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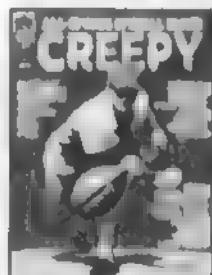
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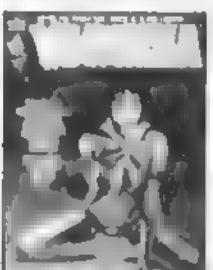
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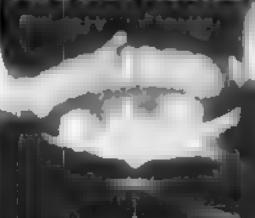
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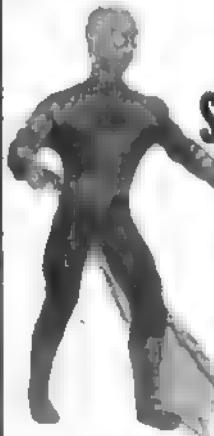
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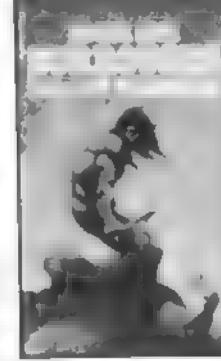
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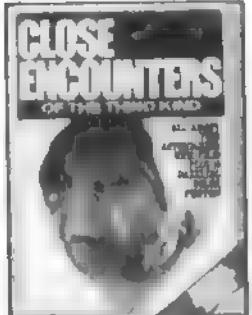
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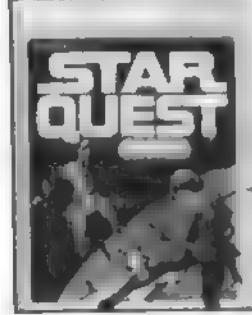
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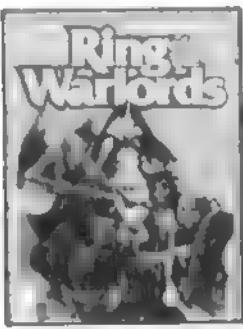
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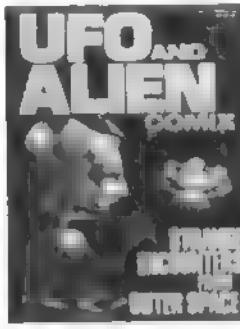
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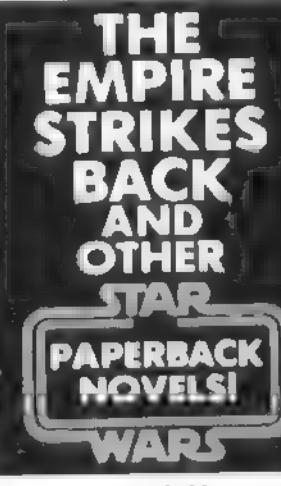
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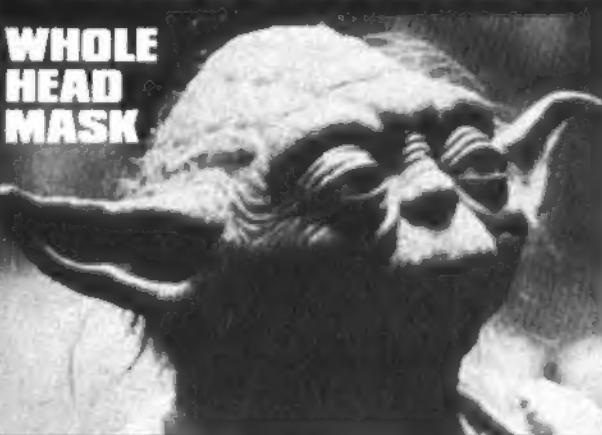


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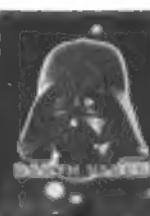
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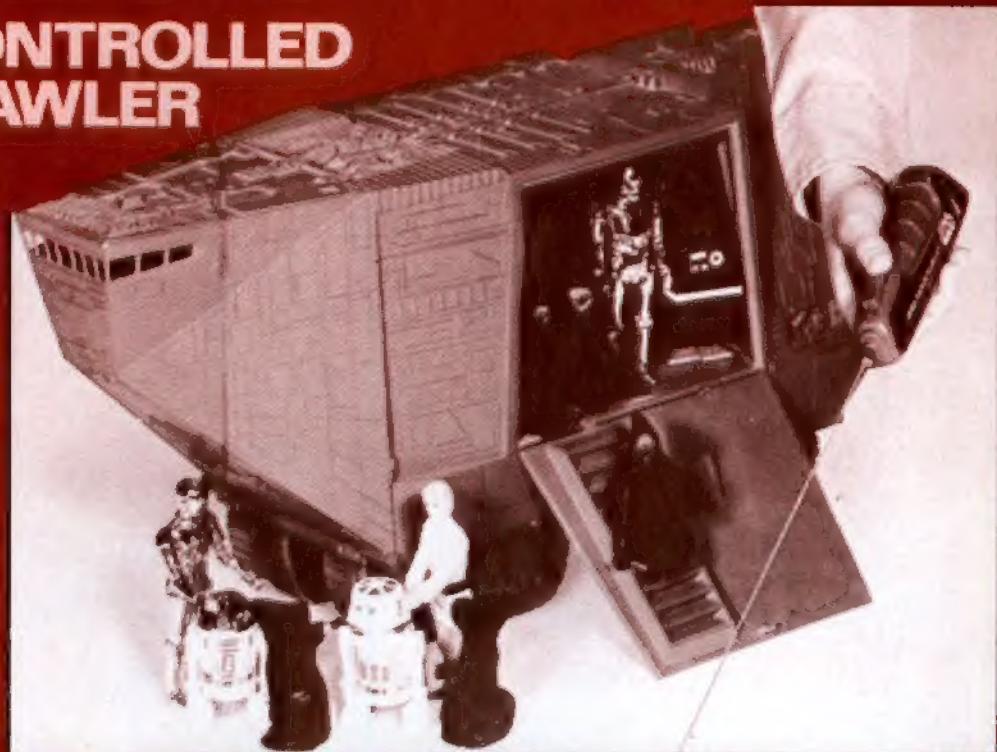
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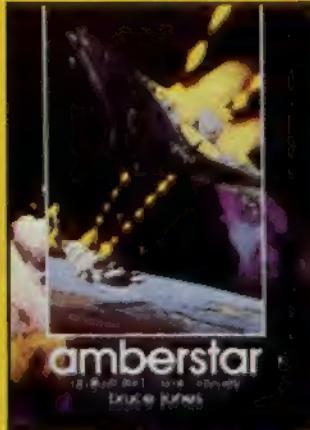
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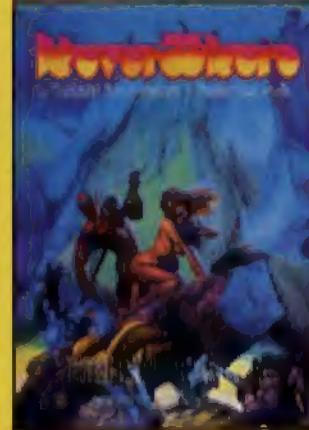
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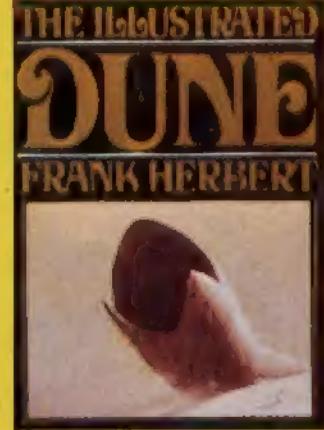
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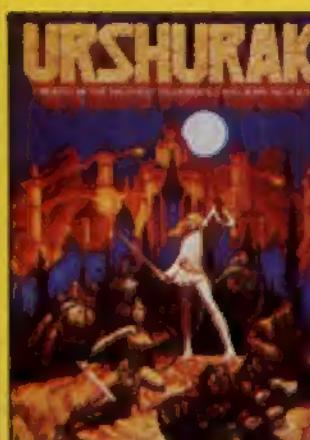
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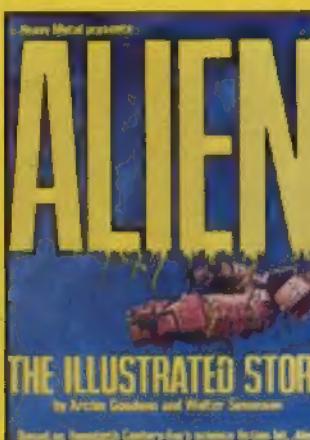
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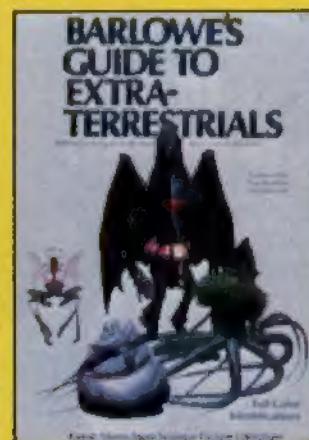
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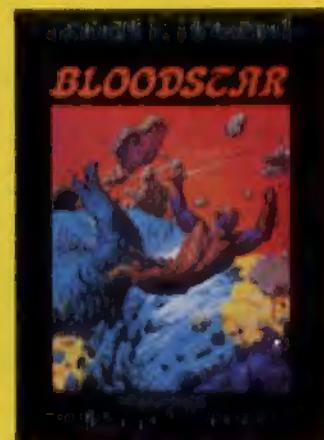
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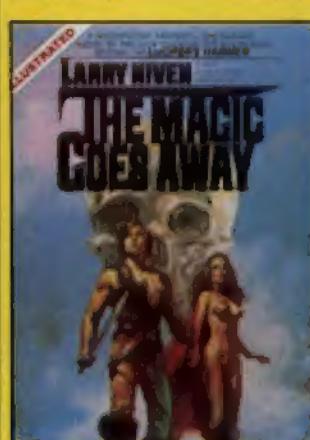
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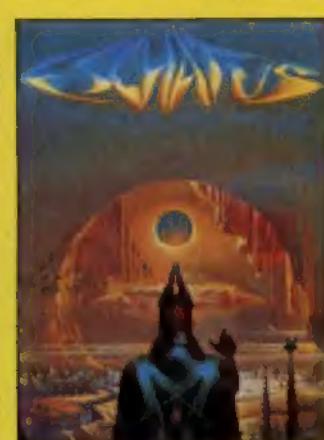
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